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functional testing; and 100% of the equipment needed for First Plasma has been installed in the magnet conversion buildings.

ITER Member support: While noting the ongoing pressures facing the project, the Council encouraged all ITER Members to meet their in-kind and in-cash commitments to enable the successful implementation of the construction strategy. Council Members reaffirmed their strong belief in the value of the ITER mission, and resolved to work together to find timely solutions to facilitate ITER's success. The Council will continue to monitor project performance closely, and to provide the support needed to ensure a robust pace of achievement.

## BACKGROUND TO THE PRESS RELEASE

ITER—designed to demonstrate the scientific and technological feasibility of fusion power—will be