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#### Abstract

As part of member states'obligations under the safeguards agreements, reports are submitted periodically to the IAEA. These include, nuclear material accountancy reports as well as additional protocol declarations. Ghana being a member state fulfills these obligations yearly as required and ensures that its accountancy system is accurate and kept up to date. The introduction of the Web-based portal for submitting declarations is a welcome idea which Ghana's safeguards outfit seeks to effectively use in its reporting to the agency. Despite a few challenges with the use of the software from the initial stages of its introduction to the department, the portal has been quite helpful in offering the state a more effective and convenient way of communicating with the agency. This review seeks to look at the perspective from the state authority in terms of the benefits and challenges as well as ways of improving the software for the benefit of all who use it.

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