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NOTE: Treaty law is very complicated and to speak with any authority on the impact of Russia's actions would require thorough research. I am happy to do that research, but in the interim, below is my current understanding of the situation.

In general:

The Plutonium Management and Disposition Agreement between the US and Russia was entered into in 2000, committing both sides to dispose of no less than 34 metric tons of weapons-grade plutonium. According to the agreement, the parties could either convert it into MOX fuel or immobilize it and dispose of it in a way that precludes its use in nuclear weapons. The impact of Russia suspending the agreement is that neither side is bound to its provisions. That being said, the MOX program that Congress established to dispose its 34 tons was created in statute and therefore is not necessarily affected by Russia's current action.

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