

American Model United Nations International Atomic Energy Agency

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SUBJECT OF RESOLUTION: Application of IAEA safeguards in the Middle East

SUBMITTED TO: The International Atomic Energy Agency

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1 *Recalling* that the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) exists to benefit all Member States and to 2 create a stronger international community for safe, peaceful nuclear research,

3 Bearing in mind the usefulness of the Agency's safeguards system as a reliable means of verification of the 4 peaceful uses of nuclear energy,

5 *Noting* that the IAEA and host Member States have effective histories of securing research facilities and 6 offices throughout the world,

7 *Concerned by* the grave consequences, endangering peace and security, of the presence in the Middle East 8 region of nuclear activities not wholly devoted to peaceful purposes,

9 Welcoming the initiatives regarding the establishment of a zone free of all weapons of mass destruction, 10 including nuclear weapons, in the Middle East and earlier initiatives regarding arms control in the region,

11 *Commending* the efforts of the Agency concerning the application of safeguards in the Middle East and the 12 positive response of most states in concluding a full-scope safeguards agreement,

13 Recalling its resolution 60/15, adopted 29 September 2016,

14 *Further recalling* the report by the Director General on 28 July 2016,

15 1. Commends Member States' and Observer States' efforts to establish agreements with the IAEA in order 16 to curb the proliferation of nuclear weapons in the Middle East;

2. Particularly commends the states and regions who have already established Nuclear Weapon Free Zones
(NWFZs);

19 3. *Invites* Member States to utilize automated reporting techniques of nuclear assets in accordance with 20 IAEA protocol and supervision, to provide more accurate and consistent reporting;

4. *Calls upon* the IAEA to establish Office Space across the Middle East in each willing member state, in order to facilitate international cooperation and peaceful scientific research;

5. *Encourages* relevant United Nations organizations and the IAEA to protect these facilities in cooperation with the facility's host states;

6. *Reminds* Member States of their obligation to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons of 1968;

7. Draws attention to the Global Nuclear Safety and Security Network as a means of promoting research on the peaceful usage of nuclear technology and science, in particular on the possible development of Liquid Fluoride Thorium Reactors (LFTR);

30 8. *Requests* the IAEA update and refine a new set of standards for nuclear science and technology;

31 9. Strongly urges Member States to discontinue the sale and lease of nuclear weapons and weapon plans;

10. *Requests* IAEA nuclear experts to author a step by step guide to a nuclear weapons free Middle East, modeled on the "13 Steps" from the Nuclear Proliferation Treaty (NPT) Review Conference in 2000;

11. *Encourages* states to continue pursuing bilateral and multilateral negotiations to resolve disputes in relation to current or future IAEA standards in the Middle East; 12. *Further encourages* the IAEA, in cooperation with Member States, to commission protocols on the security of nuclear materials.

Passed, Yes: 55 / No: 12 / Abstain: 10