



*American Model United Nations*  
**International Atomic Energy Agency**

IAEA/II/2

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

SUBMITTED TO: The International Atomic Energy Agency

*The International Atomic Energy Agency,*

1        *Acknowledging* that the IAEA's Department of Safeguards verification role is crucial for confidence building  
2 in the Middle East,

3        *Calling upon* all States Party to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons to comply fully  
4 with the Treaty,

5        *Expressing confidence* in the General Conference's ability to create a lasting solution in creating a stable  
6 diplomatic atmosphere in the Middle East,

7        *Recalling* the Director-General's 2015 and 2016 Report to the General Conference which noted the lack of  
8 progress towards the negotiation of a Nuclear-Weapons-Free Zone (NWFZ) via current negotiation channels,

9        *Recalling* General Conference Resolution GC(58)/RES/16 which urged all Middle Eastern states to accept  
10 IAEA safeguards in the context of establishing a NWFZ,

11        1. *Emphasizes* that the creation of a NWFZ is a major factor towards promoting greater stability in the  
12 Middle East;

13        2. *Reminds* Member States of the IAEA Director-General's remarks stating that the largest inhibitor to the  
14 negotiation of a NWFZ is the refusal of any Middle Eastern state to accede to the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty  
15 (NPT) and other nuclear safeguard agreements;

16        3. *Requests* the Division of Operations B under the Department of Safeguards to take the direction from  
17 the Director-General in creating a negotiation task force which will:

18                (a) Consult with international organizations and United Nations bodies to identify diplomatic op-  
19 portunities that may be used to incentivize cooperation in acceding to relevant United Nations safeguards;

20        4. *Supports* the peaceful use of nuclear energy and emphasizes that the negotiation of a NWFZ does not  
21 imply the negotiation of a Nuclear Energy Free Zone;

22        5. *Requests* the African Division of the Department of Technical Cooperation to work with the Division of  
23 Concepts and Planning of the Department of Safeguards to establish a regional safeguards office in the Middle East  
24 which will:

25                (a) Follow the format of operation as established by offices such as those the IAEA established  
26 in Tokyo and Toronto;

27                (b) Be used to implement and verify any eventual Middle Eastern NWFZ or other negotiated solu-  
28 tions;

29                (c) Increase the IAEA's presence in the Middle East and demonstrate the Agency's commitment to  
30 a complete application of safeguards in the region;

31                (d) Assist the Director-General in negotiations of a NWFZ to the extent requested by the Director-  
32 General;

33        6. *Calls upon* all nations to consider the importance of a NWFZ, even without the ratification of the NPT;

34        7. *Requests* that the Director-General submits a report on the implementation of this resolution to the Board  
35 of Governors and the General Conference at the 61st regular session to take place in 2017.

Passed, Yes: 68 / No: 8 / Abstain: 7