

**Statement**

**Of**

**The Sultanate of Oman**

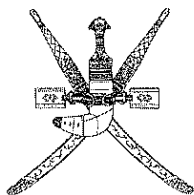
**By**

**H.E. Minister Sayyid Badr bin Hamad Albusaidi  
Secretary General of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs**

**Before**

**The 52<sup>nd</sup> International Atomic Energy Agency  
General Conference**

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His Excellency Dr. Mohammed El Baradei, Director General of the International Atomic Energy Agency, His Excellency Dr. Gianni Ghisi, President of the 52nd Session of the General Conference, Their Excellencies Heads and Members of Delegations of Participating States ,

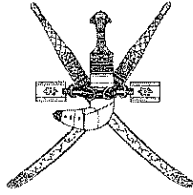
Honorable Audience,

It gives me great pleasure to offer my warmest congratulations to the President of this session and all members of the office on their election, and I wish this conference every success .

I would also like to take this opportunity to express to you and to all member states, our thanks and gratitude for your endorsement of the Sultanate of Oman's application for IAEA membership.

I wish here to stress the Sultanate's continuous support for the role being played by the IAEA, in the field of international security and peace, and to allow states to benefit from nuclear energy for peaceful purposes.

My country is looking forward to cooperating with the IAEA and member states in various fields of knowledge and science, particularly in the areas of electricity generation and water desalination, as well as



benefiting from applications related to the fields of medicine, health, the environment, water management and agriculture.

Finally, I can only mark our praise and admiration for the distinguished role being played by Dr. Mohamed El Baradei, IAEA Director General, over many years. I would like to assure him of our support for his earnest efforts to elevate substantively the performance of the IAEA, and in every way that serves international security and peace. I wish him and IAEA's staff every success in this great endeavour.

Thank you.