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APPLICATION OF IAEA SAFEGUARDS IN THE MIDDLE EAST

Amendments proposed by the United States of America to the draft resolution contained in document GC(42)/24

In the preambular section:

in paragraph (a), line 1, delete "of nuclear disarmament and", and in line 2, before "enhancing" change "for" to "in";

delete paragraph (b), and renumber subsequent paragraphs accordingly;

in paragraph (c), line 2, delete all words after "nuclear energy";

in paragraph (d), line 1, insert "grave" before "consequences" and in line 2, delete "unsafeguarded nuclear facilities and";

in paragraph (e), line 1, change "supporting" to "welcoming", change "initiative" to "initiatives" and, in line 2, add, after "Middle East," the phrase "and recent initiatives regarding arms control in the region,"

in paragraph (f), line 1, delete "the" preceding "participation";

replace paragraph (g), with "Commending the efforts of the Agency concerning the application of safeguards in the Middle East and the positive response of some States in concluding a full-scope safeguards agreement, and";

In the operative section:

in paragraph 2, line 1, insert "forthwith" before "accept", and, in line 2, change "measures for building confidence" to "confidence-building measure";

delete paragraph 3 and substitute in lieu thereof the following: "<u>Calls upon</u> all parties directly concerned to consider seriously taking the practical and appropriate steps required for the implementation of the proposal to establish a mutually and effectively verifiable NWFZ in the region, and <u>invites</u> the countries concerned to adhere to international non-proliferation regimes, including the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons, as a means of

complementing participation in a zone free of all weapons of mass destruction in the Middle East and of strengthening peace and security in the region;

insert after paragraph 3 the following new paragraph and renumber subsequent paragraphs accordingly: "<u>Takes note</u> of the importance of the ongoing bilateral Middle East peace negotiations and the activities of the multilateral working group on Arms Control and Regional Security in promoting mutual confidence and security in the Middle East, including establishment of a NWFZ, and calls on the Director General, as requested by the participants, to render all necessary assistance to the working group in promoting that objective;" and

in paragraph 4, line 1, after "Middle East" delete "in order".