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Thematic Summary of the Positions of the Members of the Non-Aligned Movement in Plenary Meeting Records of the 57th General Conference of the International Atomic Energy Agency

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UN General Assembly

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(GC(57)/OR.9, Para 10) NAM regretted Israel's continued insistence that the issue of Agency safeguards could not be addressed in isolation from the regional peace process; there was no automatic sequence linking the application of comprehensive safeguards to all nuclear activities in the Middle East to the prior conclusion of a peace settlement — in fact, the former would contribute to the latter.

(GC(57)/OR.9, Para 11) NAM also regretted the fact that the Director General had not been able to make further progress in fulfilling his mandate, pursuant to resolution GC(56)/RES/15, regarding the application of comprehensive Agency safeguards to all nuclear activities in the Middle East.

(GC(57)/OR.9, Para 12) NAM, which believed that all Member States should cooperate in rectifying what was an unacceptable situation, was calling for the active participation of all Member States in achieving the universality of comprehensive Agency safeguards in the Middle East. In that context, NAM requested that, in the promotion of Agency safeguards in the Middle East, priority should be first accorded to achieving the universality of comprehensive Agency safeguards there.

(GC(57)/OR.9, Para 13) NAM, which noted that the Director General would continue consultations in accordance with his mandate regarding the early application of comprehensive Agency safeguards to all nuclear activities in the Middle East, welcomed the Director General's efforts to encourage the development and consideration of relevant new

ideas and approaches that might help to move his mandate forward, and it requested the Director General to continue briefing Member States regularly on those efforts.

(GC(57)/OR.9, Para 14) The NAM members parties to the NPT, which recalled the consensus decision contained in the Final Document of the 2010 NPT Review Conference on the convening, in 2012, of a conference on the establishment of a Middle East zone free of nuclear weapons and all other weapons of mass destruction, noted that, in response to a request made on 27 April 2012 by the facilitator of that conference, the Secretariat had in October 2012 provided background documentation describing the work undertaken by the Agency and the experience gained by it with regard to modalities for establishing an NWFZ in the Middle East. NAM, which would have greatly appreciated the Director General's briefing Member States on that matter earlier, had during the September 2013 session of the Board requested that the background documentation, or a detailed summary thereof, be attached to the Director General's report contained in document GC(57)/10. NAM welcomed the fact that the Director General had now provided the background documentation, in an annex to document GC(57)/10/Add.1; it would duly reflect on that documentation.

(GC(57)/OR.9, Para 16) NAM requested the Director General to continue his consultations with Member States on arrangements conducive to achievement of the objective of the establishment of an NWFZ in the Middle East.

(GC(57)/OR.9, Para 17) NAM, which was fully committed to cooperating with the Director General and supporting his efforts in implementing resolution GC(56)/RES/15, endorsed the draft resolution submitted by Egypt.

(GC(57)/OR.9, Para 89) NAM welcomed the fact that its members party to the NPT had all concluded comprehensive safeguards agreements with the Agency as non-nuclear-weapon States in fulfilment of their obligations under Article III.1 of the NPT.

(GC(57)/OR.9, Para 91) A selective approach to the issue of nuclear capabilities in the Middle East was undermining the viability of the Agency's safeguards regime. Also, it had resulted in the continuing dangerous presence there of unsafeguarded Israeli nuclear facilities and activities, despite the repeated calls on Israel to subject those facilities and activities to comprehensive Agency safeguards.

(GC(57)/OR.9, Para 93) Member States should cooperate in rectifying what was an unacceptable situation and achieving the universality of comprehensive Agency safeguards in the Middle East. Implementing resolution GC(53)/RES/17 could be a first step.

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(GC(57)/OR.9, Para 88) Mr NAJAVI (Islamic Republic of Iran), speaking on behalf of NAM, said that it strongly believed that stability could not be achieved in a region where a massive imbalance in military capabilities was continuing to exist, particularly owing to the fact that the possession of nuclear weapons was enabling one country to threaten its neighbours and other countries in the region.

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dangerous presence there of unsafeguarded Israeli nuclear facilities and activities, despite the repeated calls on Israel to subject those facilities and activities to comprehensive Agency safeguards.

(GC(57)/OR.9, Para 92) NAM was gravely concerned about the dire consequences for international security of Israel's nuclear capabilities, which posed a serious threat to Israel's neighbours and to other States, and about the continuing provision to Israeli scientists of access to the nuclear facilities of one of the nuclear-weapon States.

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