

**The Non-Aligned Movement (NAM)
Database**



Thematic Summary of the Positions of the Members of the Non-Aligned Movement in Plenary Meeting Records of the 65th General Conference of the International Atomic Energy Agency	
Disarmament	
NAM Involvement and Contributions	<p>(GC(65)/OR.11, Para 23) NAM States Parties to the NPT regretted that, despite intensive consultations, at the 2015 NPT Review Conference it had not been possible to reach agreement on the draft Final Document, which could have a negative impact on the NPT regime.</p>
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UN General Assembly	<p>(GC(65)/OR.11, Para 17) NAM strongly believed that stability could not be achieved in a region where a continuing massive imbalance in military capabilities, in particular owing to the possession of nuclear weapons, allowed one party to threaten its neighbours and others in the region. In its conviction that the establishment of an NWFZ in the Middle East would be a positive step towards global nuclear disarmament, NAM reiterated its support for the establishment of such a zone in accordance with the relevant UN General Assembly and Security Council resolutions. Moreover, NAM remained convinced that the effective and efficient application of Agency safeguards in the Middle East promoted greater confidence among States in the region. Achieving the universality of comprehensive Agency safeguards in the Middle East was the first practical step towards building confidence and was necessary for establishing an NWFZ in that region.</p> <p>(GC(65)/OR.11, Para 25) NAM again welcomed the convening of the 2019 Conference on the Establishment of a Middle East Zone Free of Nuclear Weapons and other WMDs, in accordance with General Assembly decision 73/546 (2018) and its Political Declaration. It looked forward to the second session of the Conference under the presidency of Kuwait, and called upon all States of the region, without exception, to participate actively in the Conference, negotiate in good faith and bring to a conclusion a legally binding treaty on the establishment of the zone. NAM had appreciated the participation of the Agency in the first session, including through the presentation of a background paper, and requested that the Director General participate in the second session as mandated by the decision of the General Assembly.</p> <p>(GC(65)/OR.11, Para 26) NAM stressed that the resolution on the Middle East adopted by the 1995 Review and Extension Conference</p>

	<p>and other decisions on the subject adopted within the context of the Review Conferences remained valid until the establishment of a zone free of nuclear weapons and other WMDs in the Middle East was achieved. Implementation of General Assembly decision 73/546 (2018) was without prejudice to the validity of the resolution and decisions and should not be construed as their replacement.</p> <p>(GC(65)/OR.11, Para 110) In its conviction that the establishment of an NWFZ in the Middle East would be a positive step towards global nuclear disarmament, NAM reiterated its support for the establishment of such a zone in accordance with the relevant UN General Assembly and Security Council resolutions.</p> <p>(GC(65)/OR.11, Para 116) NAM further noted that the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs of Israel, in his letter to the Director General attached to his previous report as contained in document GC(64)/14, had stated that Israel valued the non-proliferation regime, acknowledged its importance and had, over the years, demonstrated a responsible policy of restraint in the nuclear realm. Regrettably, the official records of the Agency were testimony to the contrary. NAM recalled the various resolutions issued by the General Conference before 1994 regarding South Africa's nuclear capabilities in which it had recalled various UN General Assembly resolutions concerning relations between Israel and South Africa and military and nuclear collaboration with South Africa, which had strongly condemned the extensive collaboration between Israel and the then racist regime of South Africa, especially in the military and nuclear fields, in defiance of UN General Assembly and Security Council resolutions.</p>
<p>International Atomic Energy Agency</p>	<p>(GC(65)/OR.11, Para 16) Ms MAMMADOVA (Azerbaijan), speaking on behalf of NAM, welcomed the report set out in document GC(65)/14 and said that NAM was committed to its principled position on the application of Agency safeguards in the Middle East.</p> <p>(GC(65)/OR.11, Para 17) NAM strongly believed that stability could not be achieved in a region where a continuing massive imbalance in military capabilities, in particular owing to the possession of nuclear weapons, allowed one party to threaten its neighbours and others in the region. In its conviction that the establishment of an NWFZ in the Middle East would be a positive step towards global nuclear disarmament, NAM reiterated its support for the establishment of such a zone in accordance with the relevant UN General Assembly and Security Council resolutions. Moreover, NAM remained convinced that the effective and efficient application of Agency safeguards in the Middle East promoted greater confidence among States in the region. Achieving the universality of comprehensive Agency safeguards in the Middle East was the first practical step towards building confidence and was necessary for establishing an NWFZ in that region.</p> <p>(GC(65)/OR.11, Para 18) NAM welcomed the fact that its members which were parties to the NPT had concluded CSAs with the Agency</p>

as non-nuclear-weapon States and noted that all States of the Middle East region except Israel were parties to the NPT and had undertaken to accept comprehensive Agency safeguards. It highlighted the accession of Palestine as a State Party to the NPT in February 2015 and welcomed the signing in June 2019 of a CSA between Palestine, as a non-nuclear-weapon State, and the Agency.

(GC(65)/OR.11, Para 19) NAM regretted Israel's continued insistence that Agency safeguards could not be addressed in isolation from the regional peace process. There was no automatic sequence which linked the application of comprehensive safeguards to all nuclear activities in the Middle East to the prior conclusion of a peace settlement, and the former would, in fact, contribute to the latter.

(GC(65)/OR.11, Para 20) NAM noted with regret that the Director General had not been able to make further progress in fulfilling his mandate pursuant to resolution GC(64)/RES/15 regarding the application of comprehensive Agency safeguards covering all nuclear activities in the Middle East. It urged all Member States to participate actively in promoting the universality of comprehensive Agency safeguards in the Middle East region in particular.

(GC(65)/OR.11, Para 21) NAM noted that the Director General would continue consultations in accordance with his mandate regarding the early application of comprehensive Agency safeguards on all nuclear activities in the Middle East region. It welcomed his efforts to encourage the development and consideration of new ideas and approaches that could help in that regard, requesting that he continue to brief Member States regularly on such efforts.

(GC(65)/OR.11, Para 24) NAM requested that the Director General continued his efforts and consultations with all Member States on arrangements conducive towards the establishment of a zone free of nuclear weapons and all other WMDs in the Middle East.

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(GC(65)/OR.11, Para 27) Lastly, noting that NAM was fully committed to cooperating with the Director General and supporting his efforts in implementing resolution GC(64)/RES/15, she said that it

	<p>expected all other Member States to do likewise. Moreover, NAM endorsed the draft resolution submitted by Egypt.</p> <p>(GC(65)/OR.11, Para 109) NAM welcomed the fact that its Member States that were parties to the NPT had concluded CSAs with the Agency as non-nuclear-weapon States and noted that all States of the Middle East region except for Israel were parties to the NPT and had undertaken to accept comprehensive Agency safeguards.</p> <p>(GC(65)/OR.11, Para 111) NAM noted with concern that the selective approach to the issue of nuclear capabilities in the Middle East had undermined the viability of the Agency’s safeguards regime and had resulted in the continued and dangerous presence of Israeli nuclear facilities and activities that were not subject to comprehensive Agency safeguards, despite repeated calls on Israel to sign a CSA.</p> <p>(GC(65)/OR.11, Para 113) All Member States should cooperate to rectify that unacceptable situation and achieve the universality of comprehensive Agency safeguards in the Middle East, firstly by implementing resolution GC(53/RES/17).</p> <p>(GC(65)/OR.11, Para 114) NAM regretted Israel’s continued insistence that Agency safeguards could not be addressed in isolation from the regional peace process. The Group emphasized that there was no automatic sequence which linked the application of comprehensive safeguards to all nuclear activities in the Middle East to the prior conclusion of a peace settlement, and the former would, in fact, contribute to the latter.</p> <p>(GC(65)/OR.11, Para 116) NAM further noted that the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs of Israel, in his letter to the Director General attached to his previous report as contained in document GC(64)/14, had stated that Israel valued the non-proliferation regime, acknowledged its importance and had, over the years, demonstrated a responsible policy of restraint in the nuclear realm. Regrettably, the official records of the Agency were testimony to the contrary. NAM recalled the various resolutions issued by the General Conference before 1994 regarding South Africa’s nuclear capabilities in which it had recalled various UN General Assembly resolutions concerning relations between Israel and South Africa and military and nuclear collaboration with South Africa, which had strongly condemned the extensive collaboration between Israel and the then racist regime of South Africa, especially in the military and nuclear fields, in defiance of UN General Assembly and Security Council resolutions.</p>
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Access to Nuclear Technology	<p>(GC(65)/OR.11, Para 115) NAM reiterated its call for the total and complete prohibition of the transfer of all nuclear-related equipment, information, material and facilities, resources or devices and the extension of assistance in the nuclear-related scientific or technological fields to Israel.</p>
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(GC(65)/OR.11, Para 112) NAM expressed great concern regarding the acquisition of nuclear capability by Israel, which posed a serious and continuing threat to the security of its neighbouring and other States, and the continuing provision of access for Israeli scientists to the nuclear facilities of one nuclear-weapon State.

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