

2000 Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons

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Resources for safeguards

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1. The Conference recognizes that IAEA safeguards are an integral part of the international regime for non-proliferation and play an indispensable role in ensuring the implementation of the Treaty. For this reason, it calls on all States Parties to give their full and continuing support to the IAEA safeguards system.
2. The Conference notes the financial constraints under which the IAEA safeguards system has to function and calls upon all States Parties to continue their political, technical and financial support of IAEA, in order to ensure that the Agency is able to meet its international legal obligations pursuant to, *inter alia*, safeguards agreements under the Treaty and relevant United Nations Security Council resolutions, and its increasing safeguards responsibilities.
3. The Conference requests IAEA to continue to identify the financial and human resources needed to meet effectively and efficiently all of its safeguards responsibilities. It strongly urges all States to ensure that the Agency's budget provides these resources through assured regular financing, and calls upon the member States of IAEA to use the opportunity offered by the impending review of the safeguards financing formula to agree on an equitable and stable formula which will fully fund the Agency's safeguards activities.
4. The Conference emphasizes the importance of continuing to secure IAEA staff of the highest standards of efficiency, technical competence and integrity, and of intensified efforts to increase accordingly the number of safeguards inspectors from developing countries and from those other member States which are unrepresented or under-represented.