Implementation of the NPT safeguards agreement and relevant provisions of United Nations Security Council resolutions in the Islamic Republic of Iran

Resolution adopted by the Board of Governors on 13 September 2012

The Board of Governors,

(a) Noting the Director General’s August 30 report (GOV/2012/37) entitled “Implementation of the NPT safeguards agreement and relevant provisions of United Nations Security Council resolutions in the Islamic Republic of Iran”;

(b) Recalling the Board’s previous resolutions, in particular GOV/2011/69 adopted 18 November 2011, which stressed that “it is essential for Iran and the Agency to intensify their dialogue aiming at the urgent resolution of all outstanding substantive issues for the purpose of providing clarifications regarding those issues, including access to relevant information, documentation, sites, material, and personnel in Iran”;

(c) Noting that the dialogue between Iran and the Agency on the resolution of all outstanding substantive issues was intensified but no agreement has been reached so far on the structured approach, and noting that in the meantime, Iran has not allowed the access to the sites requested by the IAEA, including Parchin, and that the IAEA has observed activities that the Director General has stated will significantly hamper the Agency’s ability to conduct effective verification;

(d) Recalling the statements by High Representative Ashton on behalf of China, France, Germany, Russia, The United Kingdom, and the United States that their overall goal in talks with Iran regarding its nuclear program remains a comprehensive negotiated, long-term solution, on the basis of reciprocity and a step-by-step approach, which restores international confidence in the exclusively peaceful nature of Iran’s nuclear program consistent with the NPT;

(e) Stressing once again its serious concern that Iran continues to defy the requirements and obligations contained in the relevant IAEA Board of Governors and UN Security Council
Resolutions, including the continuing and expanding uranium enrichment activities in Iran, as reported in GOV/2012/37, in particular at the Fordow Fuel Enrichment Plant; and

(f) Reaffirming the inalienable right of all the parties to the Non-Proliferation Treaty to develop research, production, and use of nuclear energy for peaceful purposes in accordance with Article IV of the Treaty;

1. Stresses the repeated conclusion by the Director General that the Agency continues to verify the non-diversion of declared nuclear material at the nuclear facilities and Locations Outside Facilities declared by Iran under its safeguards agreement, also notes the Director General’s repeated conclusion that, as Iran is not providing the necessary cooperation, including by not implementing its Additional Protocol, the Agency is unable to provide credible assurance about the absence of undeclared nuclear material and activities in Iran, and therefore to conclude that all nuclear material in Iran is in peaceful activities;

2. Urges Iran to comply fully and without delay with all of its obligations under the relevant Resolutions of the UN Security Council, and to meet the requirements of the Board of Governors, including the application of the modified Code 3.1 and the implementation and prompt entry into force of the Additional Protocol;

3. Expresses its serious concern regarding the continued enrichment and heavy water-related activities in Iran, contrary to the relevant resolutions of the Board of Governors and the UN Security Council;

4. Commends the Secretariat for its intensive efforts, pursuant to GOV/2011/69, to conclude with Iran an agreement on a structured approach for resolving outstanding issues related to possible military dimensions and stresses that it is essential for Iran to immediately conclude and implement such an approach, including as a first step providing the access the IAEA has requested to relevant sites, and decides that Iranian cooperation with IAEA requests aimed at the resolution of all outstanding issues is essential and urgent in order to restore international confidence in the exclusively peaceful nature of Iran’s nuclear programme;

5. Expresses continued support for a peaceful resolution of the international community’s concerns, which could best be achieved through a constructive diplomatic process which restores international confidence in the exclusively peaceful nature of Iran’s nuclear programme on the basis of reciprocity and a step-by-step approach and consistent with the NPT, and takes note of the ongoing political dialogue and encourages the intensification of this dialogue;

6. Requests the Director General to include in his progress report at the November 2012 Board of Governors a comprehensive report on substantive implementation of the 18 November 2011 resolution (GOV/2011/69) and this resolution, especially with respect to the possible military dimensions of Iran’s nuclear program; and

7. Decides to remain seized of the matter.