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Extending the Technical Cooperation Programme for the State of Palestine to the Gaza Strip

Resolution adopted on 18 September 2025 during the seventh plenary meeting

The General Conference,¹

- (a) Expressing deep concern regarding the ongoing grave humanitarian situation in the occupied Palestinian territory, particularly in the Gaza Strip,
- (b) Noting with grave concern the total or partial destruction of medical facilities and hospitals in the Gaza Strip, including facilities providing care to cancer patients,
- (c) Welcoming the Arab Plan for Early Recovery, Reconstruction and Development of Gaza that was presented at the Extraordinary Arab Summit on 4 March 2025, subsequently adopted by the Organisation of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) and welcomed by the European Union,
- (d) Recognizing General Conference resolution GC(67)/RES/14 of 28 September 2023, by which it adopted the designation of the State of Palestine, and resolution GC(42)/RES/20 of 25 September 1998, by which it granted the State of Palestine additional rights and privileges to participate in the work of the International Atomic Energy Agency,
- (e) Recalling General Conference decision GC(XXXVIII)/DEC/18 of 23 September 1994, which reflects the wish of the Conference, as a contribution to the peace process, to identify technical assistance projects that can be implemented in the occupied Palestinian territory,
- (f) Emphasizing the mandate of the IAEA “to accelerate and enlarge the contribution of atomic energy to peace, health and prosperity throughout the world” in accordance with Article II of its Statute,

¹ The resolution was adopted with 93 votes in favour, 6 against and 19 abstentions.

- (g) Acknowledging that the IAEA possesses experience in assisting countries in emergency situations, as well as relevant established mechanisms within its technical cooperation programme,
- (h) Reaffirming that the Revised Guiding Principles and General Operating Rules to Govern the Provision of Technical Assistance by the Agency as contained in INFCIRC/267 remain the Agency's established guidelines for the formulation of the technical cooperation programme and the allocation of its resources, and
- (i) Bearing in mind the assistance provided by the Agency to non-Member States through the technical cooperation programme, in line with documents GOV/2810 and GOV/2818,
1. Stresses that the IAEA is a competent authority that can play a significant role in providing both urgent and long-term assistance to the State of Palestine to alleviate human suffering in the Gaza Strip, particularly in the fields of nuclear medicine, non-destructive testing, testing and assessment of damage to and contamination of soil, air and water, as well as agriculture;
 2. Welcomes the established engagement between the Secretariat and the Palestinian Government to address this matter;
 3. Expresses appreciation for the work and support of the Agency to the State of Palestine in the West Bank through current national and regional technical cooperation projects in the fields of capacity building, nuclear medicine, cancer treatment and food security;
 4. Urges the Agency to explore and inform on the possible immediate action needed in order to provide urgent assistance to the State of Palestine, with a special focus on the Gaza Strip, through the IAEA technical cooperation programme, starting from the 2026–2027 programme cycle;
 5. Requests the Secretariat to take necessary steps to extend the technical cooperation programme for the State of Palestine to the Gaza Strip, starting from the 2026–2027 programme cycle;
 6. Urges the IAEA to launch, if required, a dedicated off-cycle technical cooperation project for the State of Palestine, with a particular focus on the Gaza Strip, using resources available;
 7. Encourages Member States to support, including through financial and in-kind contributions, the implementation of IAEA technical cooperation projects in the Gaza Strip;
 8. Calls upon Israel to allow, facilitate and ensure the safe and unhindered access and delivery of the Agency's equipment and personnel to the State of Palestine, including the Gaza Strip;
 9. Recommends to the Board of Governors to favourably consider this resolution; and
 10. Requests the Director General to report at the seventieth (2026) session of the General Conference on the implementation of this resolution.