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## Status of Palestine in the IAEA

# Resolution adopted on 28 September 2023 during the ninth plenary meeting

### The General Conference,<sup>1</sup>

- (a) <u>Recalling</u> General Conference resolution GC(42)/RES/20 of 25 September 1998, in which it granted Palestine additional rights and privileges of participation in the work of the International Atomic Energy Agency,
- (b) <u>Recalling</u> that United Nations General Assembly resolution A/RES/67/19 of 29 November 2012 accorded Palestine non-member observer State status in the United Nations, without prejudice to the acquired rights, privileges and role of the Palestine Liberation Organization in the United Nations as the representative of the Palestinian people,
- (c) <u>Bearing in mind</u> that the designation 'State of Palestine' is now used in all documents of the United Nations and on nameplates to be used in United Nations meetings,
- (d) Recalling United Nations General Assembly resolution A/RES/73/5 of 16 October 2018, and the Annex thereto, pursuant to which the General Assembly granted the State of Palestine additional rights in the sessions and work of the General Assembly and the international conferences convened under the auspices of the Assembly or other organs of the United Nations, as well as in United Nations conferences, for the duration of the chairmanship by the State of Palestine of the Group of 77,
- (e) <u>Recalling</u> that the State of Palestine has been a State Party to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons since 2015,
- (f) <u>Acknowledging</u> the entry into force of the safeguards agreement between the State of Palestine and the Agency signed on 17 July 2022,

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The resolution was adopted with 92 in favour, 5 against and 21 abstentions.

- (g) <u>Noting</u> that Palestine is a State Party to the Convention on the Physical Protection of Nuclear Material (CPPNM) and its Amendment, and to the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons,
- 1. <u>Decides</u> that, as of the date of the present resolution, the designation 'State of Palestine' shall be used instead of 'Palestine' without prejudice to the observer status of Palestine in accordance with relevant General Conference resolutions and decisions;
- 2. <u>Requests</u> the Secretariat to ensure that the designation 'State of Palestine' is used in all official documents issued by the Secretariat, and for its nameplate in all meetings under the Agency's auspices;
- 3. <u>Decides</u> to confer upon the State of Palestine in its capacity as observer, and as set forth in the Annex to the present resolution, additional rights and privileges of participation in the work of the General Conference;
- 4. Recommends that the Board of Governors favourably considers according the State of Palestine, without prejudice to its status as an observer, the right of inscription on the list of speakers in accordance with the Rules of Procedure of the Board of Governors; and
- 5. <u>Requests</u> the Director General to inform the General Conference about the implementation of the present resolution.

#### **Annex**

The additional rights and privileges of participation of the State of Palestine shall be effected through the following modalities, without prejudice to the existing rights and privileges:

- 1. The State of Palestine shall have the following additional rights, where applicable, for the duration of its presidency or chairmanship of any relevant Group of States (including but not limited to the Group of 77 and China, and the Group of Arab States):
  - (a) The right to make statements on behalf of the Group among representatives of major groups;
  - (b) The right to submit resolutions and decisions and introduce them on behalf of the Member States of a Group;
  - (c) The right to co-sponsor resolutions and decisions;
  - (d) The right to make explanations of vote on behalf of the Member States of a Group;
  - (e) The right to reply;
  - (f) The right to raise procedural motions, including points of order and requests to put proposals to the vote, on behalf of the Member States of a Group.