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### **Peaceful uses of nuclear energy**

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1. One of the fundamental objectives of the NPT and the statute of the IAEA is to promote peaceful uses of nuclear energy and relevant international cooperation. Enhanced efforts in the peaceful uses of nuclear energy are conducive to a comprehensive realization of all the objectives of the NPT and are helpful in promoting nuclear disarmament and preventing nuclear weapons proliferation.
2. The prevention of nuclear weapons proliferation and the promotion of the peaceful uses of nuclear energy are mutually complementary activities. Non-proliferation efforts should not undermine the legitimate rights of countries, especially the developing countries, to the peaceful uses of nuclear energy.
3. A proper balance between the safeguards and international cooperation in the peaceful uses of nuclear energy of the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) will entail more chances for active support of and participation in IAEA activities.
4. Technical assistance to the developing countries on the peaceful uses of nuclear energy should be further strengthened.
5. Adequate funding should be guaranteed for the IAEA promotional and technical cooperation activities. All States parties should contribute to the Technical Cooperation Fund in full and on time.
6. Governments should take primary responsibility for the physical protection of nuclear material and facilities. International cooperation in this field should be strengthened and supported, including efforts by IAEA. Resources required to achieve these goals should be allocated through means other than those that might compromise the core activities of IAEA, in particular its promotional activities.

