

## Information Note<sup>1</sup>

<b>Event:</b>	2018 UAE Forum on Nuclear Export Control Practices
<b>Organizer:</b>	Federal Authority for Nuclear Regulation, United Arab Emirates
<b>Date and venue:</b>	14-17 October 2018, Dubai, United Arab Emirates
<b>Participants:</b>	UAE Federal Authority for Nuclear Regulation; UAE Central bank; UAE Committee for Goods & Materials Subject to Import and Export Control; UAE Nawah Energy Company;  Resolution 1540 Committee GoE; Resolution 1718 Committee GoE; UNDP Security Council Affairs Division; World Customs Organization (WCO); German Customs Criminal Office; German Federal Office of Economics and Export Control (BAFA); US Department of State; US Department of Commerce; Embassy of China to the UAE;  University of Sydney; Georgia Institute of Technology; University of Liege; Institute for Science and International Security (USA); Stimson Center (USA); Wisconsin Project (USA);

### **Background**

- Resolution 1540 (2004) requires States to adopt and enforce appropriate effective laws and take effective measures to establish domestic controls to prevent the proliferation of nuclear, chemical, or biological weapons and their means of delivery, including by establishing appropriate controls over related materials.
- Resolution 2325 (2016) decides that the 1540 Committee shall continue to intensify its efforts to promote the full implementation by all States of resolution 1540 (2004), through its Programme of Work, which includes the compilation and general examination of information on the status of States' implementation of resolution 1540 (2004) and addresses all aspects of paragraphs 1, 2 and 3 of that resolution, particularly noting the need for more attention on: enforcement measures; measures relating to biological, chemical and nuclear weapons; proliferation finance measures; accounting for and securing related materials; and national export and transshipment controls;
- On 18 September 2018, the Director General of the Federal Authority for Nuclear Regulation of the UAE sent a letter to the Chair, inviting a representative of the committee to participate in the 2018 Forum on Nuclear Export Control Practices. Upon approval of the Committee, a

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member of the Group of Experts of resolution 1540 (2004) Committee participated in the Forum.

### **Highlights**

From 14-17 October 2018, the 2018 Forum on Nuclear Export Control Practices, hosted by the Federal Authority for Nuclear Regulation (FANR) was held in Dubai, the United Arab Emirates.

FANR Deputy Director-General for Operations Raoul Awad delivered a welcoming statement at the opening session of the Forum. He emphasized that export control was the key element of non-proliferation system. States should be better prepared to address challenges associated with the rapid increase of international trade and development of new technologies. The UAE has established a strong, comprehensive and transparent export control system. With 4 nuclear reactors under construction, it is imperative for the UAE to build an even stronger export control system, combining robust policy, comprehensive legal frame work and strong enforcement measures.

During the forum, government representatives and experts shared knowledge and expertise on nuclear export controls. An expert of the resolution 1540 Committee GoE provided an overview of the obligations under resolution 1540 (2004) in relation to the adoption and enforcement of “effective measures” to prevent the proliferation of nuclear, chemical and biological weapons and their means of delivery, including export, transit, trans-shipment and border controls.

### **Additional Comments**

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