



### Meeting on Research Reactors Decommissioning (R2D2P)

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- NUCLEAR SAFETY AND SECURITY OFFICE (NSSO) had been established in the year 2000
- Reorganized In 2005 as a division of the National Authority of Scientific Research (NASR) and then as an office again in 2008.
- Only six full time persons working in the office





1- Renewable Energy and Water Desalination Research Center (REWDRC); Tajoura.

10 MW, pool type reactor, used for basic research, and a critical facility, which is a mockup of the reactor, used mainly for training purposes and teaching.

The reactor started operation in Aug. 1981, with HEU fuel, and was converted to LEU fuel in Oct. 2006.

2- Radiation Sources, used in industry (oil & gas), and medicine.

## **FUNCTIONS AND DUTIES**



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### Summery of the NSSO main functions

- Define policies, and develop principles and criteria for nuclear safety and security.
- Establish, promote and adopt regulations and guides, for regulatory actions.
- Review and asses submissions on nuclear safety and security.
- Issue, amend, suspend, or revoke authorizations, and set the necessary conditions.
- Carry out inspections, and enforce regulatory requirements.





- Authorize transportation of nuclear materials
- Propose amendments to acts related to its activities
- Propose new acts and regulations related to nuclear safety and security





- Engineering systems evaluation program
- Safety Analysis Report (SAR)
- Decommissioning Plan
- Radiation monitoring Programme



## **Existing Acts**

- *Act #2* "Regulating the use of ionizing radiation and the protection form its hazards" issued in 1982
  - Sets the requirements for radioactive sources
  - Did not include nuclear security, radioactive waste, and transport security



*Act #4* "transportation of dangerous materials on the national rods" issued in 2002

- Sets the general requirements for transporting on national *rods*
- Classifies materials into 8 classes

Class 1	Explosives	Class 5	Oxidizing Substances and
			Organic Peroxides
Class 2	Gases	Class 6	Toxic and Infectious substance
Class 3	Flammable Liquids	Class 7	Radioactive Material
Class 4	Flammable Solids	Class 8	Corrosive Material





# *Act #15* "Protection and Improvement of the Environment" issued in 2004

 Sets the general requirements for environmental protection against contaminating materials , among which is the radioactive materials





- review of these acts
- working on a proposal of a new law which calls for the establishment of an independent regulatory body to achieve effective regulatory control of nuclear facilities and activities.
- The new law will include decommissioning, waste management, transport security.

# **NSSO ACTIVITIES**



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### **General Activities**

- Review of existing National Acts
- Propose of a new Act
- Prepare necessary regulatory rules and guidelines

## **Activities related to the reactor**

- Review of SAR
- Licensing the critical facility and the reactor after conversion from HEU to LEU
- Licensing the personal working in the reactor





 Legal and regulatory framework to cover all aspects related to decommissioning

### **Activities related to transport security**

- ✤ Receiving the new LEU fuel in late 2005.
- Shipment of critical Facility HEU fuel back to the Russian federation, July 2006.
- Reactor spent fuel is programmed to be shipped to the Russian federation by the end of 2009.





- An independent RB need to be established
- National legislations and regulations need to be issued
- Staff recruiting and training is urgently needed.

### Main areas of training

- Legislations related to Regulatory Authority including
- Licensing and authorizations aspects.





- Inspections and monitoring.
- Nuclear Safety and Physical protection.
- Waste Management and Transportation of radioactive materials.





