



consistent with international law, particularly international



It remains South Africa's principled position that it is the obligation of States Parties to accept safeguards as required under Article III of the Treaty.

Safeguards contribute

In conclusion, Madam President, South Africa supports the full implementation of the NPT and its universality in pursuit of the goal of achieving and maintaining a world entirely free from nuclear weapons. The strength, credibility and vitality of the NPT rests on a fundamental bargain across its three pillars, which must be recognized and upheld.

Thank you.