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Expressing grave concern over the devastation caused by the increasing use of improvised explosive devices by illegal armed groups, terrorists and other unauthorized recipients, which has affected a large number of the world's countries and has resulted in thousands of casualties, both civilian and military,

Expressing concern at the serious harm that such improvised explosive device attacks have caused to the Middle East civilians and peacekeepers, and to humanitarian workers by threatening their lives, increasing the cost of their activities, limiting their freedom of movement and affecting their ability to deliver on their mandates,

Stressing the paramount need to prevent illegal armed groups, terrorists and other unauthorized recipients from financing, storing, using or seeking access to all types of explosives, as well as to components that can be used to manufacture improvised explosive devices, including detonators, detonating cords and chemical components,

Stressing the importance of securing conventional ammunition stockpiles in order to mitigate the risk of their diversion to illicit use as materials for improvised explosive devices,

- 1. *Recommends* to create a central scientific institution on the development of technological researches on combating new types of IEDs;
- 2. *Encourages* the Member States to share their experience and research Centers' results on the topic of IEDs Disposal providing international cooperation and security;
- 3. *Proposes* to renew a Program "Global Shield" which took part in 2010-2011:

¹ See resolution 69/51 and A/CONF.192/BMS/2014/2.

- 4. Suggests the partnership of bomb disposal training regiments and DEMS (Defense Explosive Munitions and Search) training regime with the States that are in need;
- 5. *Strongly recommends* to increase the use of jamming devices EOD equipment in the countries with unstable political situation;
- 6. Calls upon all States to enhance the management of ammunition stockpiles in order to prevent its usage of IEDs production;
- 7. Recommends to increase the watch over military explosive depositories of countries of the Middle East, and inform international organizations in case of loss of the treat;
- 8. *Encourages* the Member States to train their citizens on how to behave in case of having become either a witness or a victim of explosion;
- 9. Recommends to increase international cooperation which will be directed against arms smuggling and control import and export of precursor components and materials that may be used to make IEDs through the borders of the Middle East countries;
- 10. *Recommends* investigating the means of neutralizing IEDs and improvement of sampling-based methods for the detection of explosives in the field:
 - 11. Decides to remain actively seized of the matter.