

# The Response of the UAE Government to the Letter of the Secretary-General of the Arab League



**December 20, 2005**

The stance of the UAE was expressed via statements made by the Minister of Foreign Affairs Rashid Abdullah Al Nuaimi in a joint press conference with the Secretary-General of the GCC, Abdul Rahman Al-Attiyah, after the end of the Gulf Summit. HE the Minister confirmed that the Higher Council of the GCC had discussed the letter sent by Amr Mousa, the Secretary General of the Arab League, to the Secretary- General of the GCC. What follows is part of Mr. Al Nuaimi's statement. "We appreciate the fears and worries of Mr. Amr Mousa, as an Egyptian, as regards the Israeli nuclear program. And in this respect we share his feelings because this program frightens all of us as Arabs. We too in the Gulf harbor fears and worries with respect to the Iranian nuclear program. When speaking of Arab national security, Amr Mousa was supposed to speak of the fears in the Gulf since the GCC States are near to the Iranian nuclear reactor in Bushehr.

We do not have protection or prevention measures in case there is a leakage from the reactor especially that Iran is not a signatory state to the Early Warning Convention. We demand guarantees and protection in case a mistake is committed and leads to a leakage of nuclear radiation. The worries of GCC States about the Iranian nuclear reactor are legitimate. Amr Mousa does not share these worries with us, he is free to do so. But we agree with him on the worries relating to the Israeli nuclear program. We hope that when the Secretary-General speaks the Arab League of the dangers threatening the region, he takes into consideration the existence six Arab Gulf States, which belong piece and parcel to the Arab security system.

The Statement of the UAE Minister of Foreign Affairs  
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# Joint Statement by GCC Foreign Ministers and US Secretary of State



**February 23, 2006**

The Foreign Ministers of the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) held a meeting with US Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice. The meeting was attended by:

Sheikh Abdullah bin Zayed Al Nahyan, UAE Foreign Minister and Chairman of the current session of the GCC Ministerial Council; Dr. Nazar Obaid Madani, Minister of