



1 – Act No. 509 of 1955
Establishing The Egyptian Atomic
Energy Commission

In the Name of the Nation,
The Council of Ministers.

In conformity with the constitutional Declaration issued on February 10, 1953,

And the Decision issued on November 17, 1954, whereby the functions of the President of the Republic were delegated to the Council of Ministers,

And in view of the approbation of the Council of State,

And the Draft Act submitted by the Prime Minister,

Be it enacted follows:

ARTICLE I

An autonomous body to be called “The Atomic Energy Commission” shall be set up in the Presidency of the Council of Ministers, with its principal office in Cairo.

ARTICLE II

The Commission’s objective shall be to secure for the State the utilisation of Atomic Energy for peaceful purposes, and its application for the advancement of science, medicine, agriculture and other fields of activity. The Commission Shall ensure that Egypt Keeps pace with world progress in the subject.

The functions of the Commission therefore, consist in:

- I. Training of specialists in various scientific and technical branches related to Atomic Energy; and the establishment of the appropriate institutions to train specialists, and to help them in their researches and studies, so as to contribute to the Commission’s purposes.
- II. Conducting researches, studies and experiments for the discovery of raw materials of interest in nuclear energy; and the extraction, manufacture, import, export, handling and utilisation of same.
- III. Organising the production, import and handling of materials, apparatus and equipments used in the field of Atomic energy.

- IV. Making appropriate arrangements for safety from radiation hazards, treatment and care of the victims of same, and the proper execution of preventive and curative measures.
- V. Pursuing international progress in the field of Atomic Energy with a view to fostering national interests, and keeping pace with international progress.
- VI. Suggesting plans and procedures ensuring the State's profit by Atomic Energy. The Commission shall study such plans and projects, advise the Government as to them, and make arrangement for their implementation.

ARTICLE III

The Chairman of the Commission shall be the Prime Minister, or a Minister acting for him through a Cabinet Decision.

The Commission shall be composed of at least five members, to be nominated by the Prime Minister, and appointed by Cabinet Decision.

The Members shall be selected from workers in the fields related to the functions and activities of the Commission.

The term of office is three renewable years.

A Commission member shall, by Cabinet Decision, be appointed Secretary-General to the Commission. Annual compensations to members shall also be determined by Cabinet Decision.

ARTICLE IV

The Commission shall have a budget appropriated to it in the state Budget, to enable it carry out its purposes.

ARTICLE V

The Commission shall take every action deemed necessary for the realisation of its objectives, in accordance with the Administrative and Financial procedures to be determined by Cabinet Decision. In discharging its tasks, the Commission shall have the powers of a minister.

The Secretary-General of the Commission is responsible for carrying out its decisions, and the supervision of its administrative affairs. In discharging his functions he acts in the capacity of a Permanent Under-Secretary of State.

ARTICLE VI

The Commission can enlist the cooperation of specialists and experts. It can delegate Government officials to work in its technical and administrative offices,

and to determine compensations for them in accordance with the provisions of the Financial Regulations.

ARTICLE VII

Within its appropriated budget, in consultation and cooperation with other departments within their respective functions, and in conformity with the provisions of this Act, the Commission shall carry out its purposes through issuing rules and regulations, drafting laws, establishing institutes, giving fellowships and scholarships, engaging experts, organising conferences and participating in same, supplying grants and awards, encouraging researches, disseminating information and issuing publications, concluding contracts with Government and non-Government Agencies, institutions and individuals at home and abroad, and taking any other measures conducive to the Commission's proper discharge of its task.

ARTICLE VIII

Ministries, establishments, institutions and agencies of public character shall, on request, furnish the Commission with all the reports, researches, information and statistics related to the Commission's functions.

ARTICLE IX

The Prime Minister, and each Minister within his appropriate capacity shall see to the execution of this act, which shall come into force once it is published in the Official Bulletin.

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