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Points for Improvement in Mexican Legislation on Safeguards

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The main goal of this paper is to underline the specific points needed still to be improved on safeguards in the Mexican legal framework.

The problem: Mexico was who proposed the Tlatelolco Treaty; which was before the TNP. So the Mexican legislation on safeguards should to be one of the best around the world, but there are still points to be improved, such as a specific regulation on the topic.

Justification: Remembering that the exact sciences need of the law in order to be applied in a desirable way. I mean, the safeguards could be well conceived and well worked from the physics and mathematics point of view, but in order to be followed in any country, it is necessary the right legal framework.

Hypothesis: What has Mexico now in its legislation on safeguards and what remains to be done (what is pending in the Mexican legal scope of the safeguards)?

Objectives:

- To propose legal solutions to correct the weakness of the Mexican legal framework on Safeguards; taking into account my own experience drafting the Mexican regulation on safeguards from 2008 for the Mexican Government in my nuclear law firm “Martínez & Maciel”.
- To propose a legal framework on safeguards for Mexico as it is understood by the IAEA.
- To update the legal frame work on safeguards in Mexico linking it to the Back end of the spent fuel. (Considering that sooner or later the Mexican Government will have to define its politic on this topic).

Country or International Organization

Mexico

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