# Risk of arms race over U.S.-Saudi nuclear deal

**U.S. President Trump approves a so-called 123 Agreement with Saudi Arabia to share nuclear technology without the safeguards necessary to stop materials being used in nuclear weapons programmes**

## NUCLEAR POWER IN THE MIDDLE EAST

Planned | Under construction | Operational | Closed




*Destroyed by Israel

## U.S. 123 AGREEMENT

✓ *Included* ✗ *Not included*

- ✓ Nonproliferation requirement in line with IAEA
- ✗ ***Gold Standard:*** Blocking uranium enrichment and reprocessing, pathways to nuclear weapons
- ✗ ***Additional Protocol:*** Giving IAEA oversight of nuclear activities, including snap inspections

***Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman:*** *Says he would pursue nuclear weapons if Iran does so*



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