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## Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations

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### Draft report on the substantive session of 2024

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#### I. Introduction

1. By its resolution [77/302](#), the General Assembly welcomed the report of the Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations ([A/77/19](#)), decided that the Committee, in accordance with its mandate, should continue its efforts for a comprehensive review of the whole question of peacekeeping operations in all their aspects, review the implementation of its previous proposals and consider any new proposals so as to enhance the capacity of the United Nations to fulfil its responsibilities in that field, and requested the Committee to submit a report on its work to the Assembly at its seventy-eighth session.

#### II. Organizational matters

##### A. Opening and duration of the session

2. The Committee held its substantive session of 2024 at Headquarters from 19 February to 15 March 2024. It held three plenary meetings.

3. The session was opened by the Under-Secretary-General for General Assembly and Conference Management. At the 277th (opening) meeting, on 20 February, the President of the General Assembly addressed the Committee. At the same meeting, a statement was made by the Assistant Secretary-General for Rule of Law and Security Institutions in the Department of Peace Operations.

4. The Departments of Peace Operations, Operational Support and Management Strategy, Policy and Compliance provided support to the Committee on substantive issues, while the Disarmament and Peace Affairs Branch of the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management served as the technical secretariat of the Committee.



## **B. Election of officers**

5. At its 277th meeting, the Committee was informed that the delegation of Nigeria had announced its interest to continue to serve as Chair and would nominate its incoming Permanent Representative, once in place, for election to the position of Chair in due course. The Committee elected the following officers by acclamation:

*Vice-Chairs:*

Fabián Oddone (Argentina)  
Richard Arbeiter (Canada)  
Takayuki Iriya (Japan)  
Mateusz Sakowicz (Poland)

*Rapporteur:*

Wael Eldahshan (Egypt)

## **C. Agenda**

6. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted its provisional agenda (A/AC.121/2024/L.1), which read:

1. Opening of the session.
  2. Election of officers.
  3. Adoption of the agenda.
  4. Organization of work.
  5. General debate.
  6. In-session briefings.
  7. Consideration of the draft report by the Working Group of the Whole.
  8. Other matters.
  9. Adoption of the report to the General Assembly at its seventy-eighth session.
7. The Committee also approved its draft programme of work (A/AC.121/2024/L.2).

## **D. Organization of work**

8. Also at the same meeting, the Committee decided to establish a working group of the whole, to be chaired by Richard Arbeiter (Canada), to consider the substance of the mandate entrusted to it by the General Assembly.

9. The composition of the Committee at its substantive session of 2024 is contained in the annex to the present report. The list of documents for the session is contained in [A/AC.121/2024/INF/2](#) and the list of participants in [A/AC.121/2024/INF/4](#).

## **E. Proceedings of the Committee**

10. At its 277th and 278th meetings, on 20 February, the Committee held a general debate on a comprehensive review of the whole question of peacekeeping operations in all their aspects. Statements were made by the representatives of Morocco (on behalf of the Non-Aligned Movement), New Zealand (also on behalf of Canada and Australia), Uruguay (also on behalf of Argentina, Brazil and Mexico), the Democratic

Republic of the Congo (on behalf of the Group of Francophone Ambassadors to the United Nations), Indonesia (on behalf of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations), the European Union, Egypt, India, the Philippines, the Republic of Moldova, Ecuador, Pakistan, Cuba, Viet Nam, Thailand, the Dominican Republic, Indonesia, South Africa, Brazil, Iraq, Guyana, the Republic of Korea, Uruguay, Côte d'Ivoire, El Salvador, Guatemala, Sweden, the United States of America, Switzerland, China, Norway, Bangladesh, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Malaysia, the Islamic Republic of Iran, the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, Germany, the Russian Federation, Japan, Argentina, Nepal, Lebanon, Mexico, Togo, Nigeria, Cambodia and Israel.

11. Statements were also made by the observers for the International Organization of la Francophonie and the African Union.

12. A statement in exercise of the right of reply was made by Israel.

13. On 21 February, the Working Group of the Whole heard briefings by the Under-Secretary-General for Operational Support, the Assistant Secretary-General for Rule of Law and Security Institutions in the Department of Peace Operations, and the Director of the Administrative Law Division of the Office of Human Resources in the Department of Management Strategy, Policy and Compliance.

14. On the same day, the Working Group heard a briefing by the Assistant Secretary-General for Middle East, Asia and the Pacific in the Departments of Political and Peacebuilding Affairs and Peace Operations.

15. The Working Group of the Whole and its two sub-working groups met from 22 February to 15 March and concluded their work on draft recommendations.

### **III. Consideration of the draft report of the Working Group of the Whole**

15. At its 279th meeting, on 15 March, the Committee considered the recommendations of the Working Group of the Whole and decided to include them in the present report (see paras. [ ]-[ ]), for consideration by the General Assembly.

### **IV. Adoption of the report to the General Assembly at its seventy-eighth session**

16. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted its draft report to the General Assembly, as introduced by the Rapporteur of the Committee.

### **V. Proposals, recommendations and conclusions of the Committee**

17. [to be inserted]

## Annex

### **Composition of the Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations**

The Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations currently consists of the following 157 members: Afghanistan, Albania, Algeria, Angola, Argentina, Armenia, Australia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Bangladesh, Belarus, Belgium, Benin, Bhutan, Bolivia (Plurinational State of), Bosnia and Herzegovina, Botswana, Brazil, Brunei Darussalam, Bulgaria, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cambodia, Cameroon, Canada, Central African Republic, Chad, Chile, China, Colombia, Congo, Costa Rica, Côte d'Ivoire, Croatia, Cuba, Cyprus, Czechia, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Denmark, Djibouti, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Egypt, El Salvador, Eritrea, Estonia, Eswatini, Ethiopia, Fiji, Finland, France, Gabon, Gambia, Georgia, Germany, Ghana, Greece, Grenada, Guatemala, Guinea, Guyana, Haiti, Honduras, Hungary, Iceland, India, Indonesia, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Iraq, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Jamaica, Japan, Jordan, Kazakhstan, Kenya, Kuwait, Kyrgyzstan, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Latvia, Lebanon, Lesotho, Liberia, Libya, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Madagascar, Malawi, Malaysia, Mali, Malta, Mauritania, Mauritius, Mexico, Mongolia, Montenegro, Morocco, Mozambique, Myanmar, Namibia, Nepal, Netherlands, New Zealand, Nicaragua, Niger, Nigeria, North Macedonia, Norway, Pakistan, Palau, Papua New Guinea, Paraguay, Peru, Philippines, Poland, Portugal, Qatar, Republic of Korea, Republic of Moldova, Romania, Russian Federation, Rwanda, Samoa, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Serbia, Sierra Leone, Singapore, Slovakia, Slovenia, South Africa, Spain, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Sweden, Switzerland, Syrian Arab Republic, Tajikistan, Thailand, Timor-Leste, Togo, Tunisia, Türkiye, Uganda, Ukraine, United Arab Emirates, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United Republic of Tanzania, United States of America, Uruguay, Vanuatu, Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of), Viet Nam, Yemen, Zambia, Zimbabwe.

The following observers were represented: Holy See, African Union, European Union, International Criminal Police Organization, International Criminal Court, International Organization of la Francophonie.

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