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<i>President:</i>	Mr. Baali	(Algeria)
<i>Members:</i>	Angola	Mr. Antonio
	Benin	Mr. Zinsou
	Brazil	Mr. Tarrisse da Fontoura
	Chile	Mr. Andereya
	China	Mr. Cheng Jingye
	France	Mr. Poirier
	Germany	Mr. Seidenberger
	Pakistan	Mr. Mahmood
	Philippines	Mr. Mercado
	Romania	Mr. Dumitru
	Russian Federation	Mr. Konuzin
	Spain	Mr. De Palacio España
	United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	Mr. McGurk
	United States of America	Mr. Grenell

Agenda

The situation in the Middle East

Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Disengagement
Observer Force (S/2004/948)

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The meeting was called to order at 12.15 p.m.

Adoption of the agenda

The agenda was adopted.

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The President (*spoke in Arabic*): The Security Council will now begin its consideration of the item on its agenda. The Security Council is meeting in accordance with the understanding reached in its prior consultations.

Members of the Council have before them document S/2004/948, containing the report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force. Members of the Council also have before them document S/2004/963, which contains the text of a draft resolution prepared in the course of the Council's prior consultations.

It is my understanding that the Council is ready to proceed to the vote on the draft resolution before it. If I hear no objection, I shall now put the draft resolution to the vote.

There being no objection, it is so decided.

A vote was taken by show of hands.

In favour:

Algeria, Angola, Benin, Brazil, Chile, China, France, Germany, Pakistan, Philippines, Romania, Russian Federation, Spain, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America.

The President (*spoke in Arabic*): There were 15 votes in favour. The draft resolution has been adopted unanimously as resolution 1578 (2004).

In connection with the resolution just adopted on the renewal of the mandate of the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force, I have been authorized to make the following complementary statement on behalf of the Security Council:

"As is known, the report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force (S/2004/948) states in paragraph 12: '... the situation in the Middle East is very tense and is likely to remain so, unless and until a comprehensive settlement covering all aspects of the Middle East problem can be reached'. That statement of the Secretary-General reflects the view of the Security Council."

This statement will be issued as a document of the Security Council under the symbol S/PRST/2004/47.

The Security Council has thus concluded the present stage of its consideration of the item on its agenda.

The meeting rose at 12.20 p.m.