

4. *Expresses the conviction* that all other pending questions arising from the conflict and not directly addressed in the "Adjusted timetable" should be settled expeditiously through peaceful negotiations in the context of the Minsk process;

5. *Calls* for the immediate implementation of the reciprocal and urgent steps provided for in the Minsk Group's "Adjusted timetable", including the withdrawal of forces from recently occupied territories and the removal of all obstacles to communications and transportation;

6. *Calls also* for an early convening of the Minsk Conference for the purpose of arriving at a negotiated settlement to the conflict as provided for in the "Adjusted timetable", in conformity with the 24 March 1992 mandate of the Council of Ministers of the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe;

7. *Requests* the Secretary-General to respond favourably to an invitation to send a representative to attend the Minsk Conference and to provide all possible assistance for the substantive negotiations that will follow the opening of the Conference;

8. *Supports* the monitoring mission developed by the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe;

9. *Calls* on all parties to refrain from all violations of international humanitarian law, and renews its call in resolutions 822 (1993) and 853 (1993) for unimpeded access for international humanitarian relief efforts in all areas affected by the conflict;

10. *Urges* all States in the region to refrain from any hostile acts and from any interference or intervention which would lead to the widening of the conflict and undermine peace and security in the region;

11. *Requests* the Secretary-General and relevant international agencies to provide urgent humanitarian assistance to the affected civilian population and to assist refugees and displaced persons to return to their homes in security and dignity;

12. *Requests* the Secretary-General, the Chairman-in-Office of the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe and the Chairman of the Minsk Conference to continue to report to the Council on the progress of the Minsk process and on all aspects of the situation on the ground, and on present and future cooperation between the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe and the United Nations in this regard;

13. *Decides* to remain actively seized of the matter.

*Adopted unanimously at the 3292nd meeting.*

#### **Decision**

At its 3313th meeting, on 12 November 1993, the Council decided to discuss the item entitled:

"The situation relating to Nagorny Karabakh:

"Letter dated 26 October 1993 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Azerbaijan to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/26647);<sup>12</sup>

<sup>12</sup> Ibid., *Supplement for October, November and December 1993*.

"Letter dated 27 October 1993 from the Permanent Representative of Turkey to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/26650);<sup>12</sup>

"Letter dated 28 October 1993 from the Deputy Permanent Representative of the Islamic Republic of Iran to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/26662)".<sup>12</sup>

#### **Resolution 884 (1993) of 12 November 1993**

*The Security Council,*

*Reaffirming* its resolutions 822 (1993) of 30 April 1993, 853 (1993) of 29 July 1993 and 874 (1993) of 14 October 1993,

*Reaffirming its full support* for the peace process being pursued within the framework of the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe, and for the tireless efforts of the Minsk Group of the Conference,

*Taking note* of the letter dated 9 November 1993 from the Chairman-in-Office of the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe Minsk Conference on Nagorny Karabakh addressed to the President of the Security Council and its enclosures,<sup>13</sup>

*Expressing its serious concern* that a continuation of the conflict in and around the Nagorny Karabakh region of the Azerbaijani Republic, and of the tensions between the Republic of Armenia and the Azerbaijani Republic, would endanger peace and security in the region,

*Noting with alarm* the escalation in armed hostilities in consequence of the violations of the cease-fire and excesses in the use of force in response to those violations, in particular the occupation of the Zangelan district and the city of Goradiz in Azerbaijan,

*Reaffirming* the sovereignty and territorial integrity of Azerbaijan and of all other States in the region,

*Reaffirming also* the inviolability of international borders and the inadmissibility of the use of force for the acquisition of territory, *Expressing grave concern* at the latest displacement of a large number of civilians and the humanitarian emergency in the Zangelan district and the city of Goradiz and on Azerbaijan's southern frontier,

1. *Condemns* the recent violations of the cease-fire established between the parties, which resulted in a resumption of hostilities, and particularly condemns the occupation of the Zangelan district and the city of Goradiz, attacks on civilians and bombardments of the territory of the Azerbaijani Republic;

2. *Calls upon* the Government of Armenia to use its influence to achieve compliance by the Armenians of the Nagorny Karabakh region of Azerbaijan with resolutions 822 (1993), 853 (1993) and 874 (1993) and to ensure that the forces involved are not provided with the means to extend their military campaign further;

3. *Welcomes* the declaration of 4 November 1993 of the nine members of the Minsk Group of the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe<sup>13</sup> and commends the proposals contained therein for unilateral cease-fire declarations;

<sup>13</sup> Ibid., document S/26718.

4. *Demands* from the parties concerned the immediate cessation of armed hostilities and hostile acts, the unilateral withdrawal of occupying forces from the Zangelan district and the city of Goradiz, and the withdrawal of occupying forces from other recently occupied areas of Azerbaijan in accordance with the "Adjusted timetable of urgent steps to implement Security Council resolutions 822 (1993) and 853 (1993)"<sup>1</sup> as amended by the Minsk Group meeting held at Vienna from 2 to 8 November 1993;

5. *Strongly urges* the parties concerned to resume promptly and to make effective and permanent the cease-fire established as a result of the direct contacts undertaken with the assistance of the Government of the Russian Federation in support of the Minsk Group, and to continue to seek a negotiated settlement of the conflict within the context of the Minsk process and the "Adjusted timetable" as amended by the Minsk Group meeting of 2 to 8 November 1993;

6. *Urges again* all States in the region to refrain from any hostile acts and from any interference or intervention, which would lead to the widening of the conflict and undermine peace and security in the region;

7. *Requests* the Secretary-General and relevant international agencies to provide urgent humanitarian assistance to the affected civilian population, including that in the Zangelan district and the city of Goradiz and on Azerbaijan's southern frontier, and to assist refugees and displaced persons to return to their homes in security and dignity;

8. *Reiterates its request* that the Secretary-General, the Chairman-in-Office of the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe and the Chairman of the Minsk Conference continue to report to the Council on the progress of the Minsk process and on all aspects of the situation on the ground, in particular on the implementation of its relevant resolutions, and on present and future cooperation between the Conference on Security and Cooperation and the United Nations in this regard;

9. *Decides* to remain actively seized of the matter.

*Adopted unanimously at the 3313th meeting.*

## CENTRAL AMERICA: EFFORTS TOWARDS PEACE<sup>1</sup>

### Decisions

At its 3172nd meeting, on 9 February 1993, the Council decided to discuss the item entitled "Central America: efforts towards peace - report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Observer Mission in El Salvador (ONUSAL) (S/25006)".<sup>2</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Resolutions or decisions on this question were also adopted by the Council in 1989, 1990, 1991 and 1992.

<sup>2</sup> See *Official Records of the Security Council, Forty-seventh Year, Supplement for October, November and December 1992*.

At the same meeting, following consultations held earlier among members of the Council, the President made the following statement on behalf of the Council:<sup>3</sup>

"The Security Council welcomes with satisfaction the important progress made thus far towards the full implementation of the peace accords for El Salvador and the cooperation shown by the parties to this end. The Council takes note of the report of the Secretary-General of 23 December 1992,<sup>4</sup> in which he indicates that the armed conflict between the Government of El Salvador and the Frente Farabundo Martí para la Liberación Nacional (FMLN) was formally brought to an end on 15 December 1992. The Council emphasizes this event, which puts an end to more than 10 years of armed conflict.

"However, the Council expresses concern at the observations made by the Secretary-General in his letter dated 7 January 1993 to the President of the Security Council,<sup>5</sup> by which he reported on the situation with regard to the implementation of the recommendations of the Ad Hoc Commission concerning the purification of the armed forces of El Salvador and, basically, at the fact that those recommendations have yet to be fully complied with despite prior assurances by the Government of El Salvador. The Council also expresses concern at the indication in the letter dated 29 January 1993 from the Secretary-General to the President of the Security Council<sup>6</sup> that the FMLN, despite prior assurances, did not complete the destruction of its weapons by the agreed deadline and that it is therefore not yet in full compliance with its undertakings under the peace accords.

"In this connection, the Council emphasizes the solemn nature of the undertakings made by each of the parties when they signed the peace accords and reaffirms the obligation of the parties to comply fully and in a timely fashion with those undertakings.

"The Council welcomes with satisfaction the decision of the Government of El Salvador to request the United Nations to verify the forthcoming general elections and the intention of the Secretary-General, communicated in his letter dated 26 January 1993 to the President of the Security Council,<sup>7</sup> to recommend to the Council that it accede to this request.

"The Council strongly urges the parties to persist in their determination to complete the process of bringing peace and national reconciliation to El Salvador and to continue cooperating with the Secretary-General in the efforts that he is making to ensure that the peace accords are implemented fully. To that end, the Council will follow closely the progress and results of those efforts."

At its 3185th meeting, on 18 March 1993, the Council decided to discuss the item entitled "Central America: efforts towards peace".

<sup>3</sup> S/25257.

<sup>4</sup> *Official Records of the Security Council, Forty-seventh Year, Supplement for October, November and December 1992*, document S/25006.

<sup>5</sup> *Ibid.*, *Forty-eighth Year, Supplement for January, February and March 1993*, document S/25078.

<sup>6</sup> *Ibid.*, document S/25200.

<sup>7</sup> *Ibid.*, document S/25241.