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THE SECURITY COUNCIL IS SEIZED AND ON THE STAGE REACHED IN
THEIR CONSIDERATION

Addendum

Pursuant to rule 11 of the provisional rules of procedure of the Security Council, the Secretary-General is submitting the following summary statement.

The list of items of which the Security Council is seized is contained in document S/12520 of 9 January 1978 and S/12520/Add.17 of 11 May 1978.

During the week ending 23 September 1978, the Security Council took action on the following item:

61. The situation in the Middle East (see S/7913, S/7923, S/7976, S/8000, S/8048, S/8066, S/8215, S/8242, S/8252, S/8269, S/8502, S/8525, S/8534, S/8564, S/8575, S/8584, S/8595, S/8747, S/8753, S/8807, S/8815, S/8828, S/8836, S/8885, S/8896, S/8960, S/9123, S/9135, S/9319, S/9382, S/9395, S/9406, S/9427 and Corr.1, S/9449, S/9452, S/9805, S/9812, S/9930, S/10327, S/10341, S/10554, S/10557, S/10703, S/10721, S/10729, S/10743, S/10770/Add.4, S/10855/Add.15, S/10855/Add.16, S/10855/Add.23, S/10855/Add.24, S/10855/Add.29, S/10855/Add.30, S/10855/Add.33, S/10855/Add.41, S/10855/Add.43, S/10855/Add.44, S/11185/Add.14, S/11185/Add.15, S/11185/Add.16, S/11185/Add.21, S/11185/Add.42/Rev.1, S/11185/Add.47, S/11593/Add.15, S/11593/Add.21, S/11593/Add.29, S/11593/Add.42, S/11593/Add.49, S/11935/Add.21, S/11935/Add.42, S/11935/Add.48, S/12269/Add.12, S/12269/Add.13, S/12269/Add.21, S/12269/Add.42, S/12269/Add.48, S/12520/Add.10, S/12520/Add.11 S/12520/Add.17 and S/12520/Add.21).

At its 2085th meeting on 18 September 1978, the Security Council resumed its consideration of the item and included in its agenda the report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon for the period from 19 March to 13 September 1978 (S/12845).

The President drew attention to a draft resolution (S/12848) sponsored by the United States of America. The Council proceeded to vote on the United States draft resolution and adopted it by 12 votes to none, with 2 abstentions (Czechoslovakia, the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics), as resolution 434 (1978). One member (China) did not participate in the vote.

Resolution 434 (1978) reads as follows:

The Security Council,

Recalling its resolutions 425 (1978), 426 (1978) and 427 (1978),

Recalling in particular that resolution 425 (1978) called for strict respect for the territorial integrity, sovereignty and political independence of Lebanon within its internationally recognized boundaries,

Gravely concerned at the serious conditions in Lebanon, which continue to endanger achievement of a just and lasting solution of the Middle East question,

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General dated 13 September 1978 (S/12845), on the implementation of the above-mentioned resolutions,

Commending the outstanding performance of the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon (UNIFIL) in seeking to carry out its mandate as established in Security Council resolutions 425 (1978) and 426 (1978),

Deeply grieved at the loss of life suffered by the UNIFIL forces,

Conscious of the progress already achieved by UNIFIL towards the establishment of peace and security in southern Lebanon,

Noting with concern that UNIFIL has encountered obstacles in deploying freely throughout its area of operation and that it has not been possible as yet for the Lebanese Government fully to restore its authority over all its territory in accordance with resolution 425 (1978),

Supporting the efforts of the Secretary-General and taking into account the observations in his report (S/12845) describing the problems encountered by UNIFIL in carrying out its mandate,

Determined to secure urgently the total fulfilment of UNIFIL's mandate and objectives in accordance with resolutions 425 (1978) and 426 (1978),

Acting in response to the request of the Lebanese Government,

1. Decides to renew the mandate of UNIFIL for a period of four months, that is, until 19 January 1979;
2. Calls upon Israel, Lebanon and all others concerned to co-operate fully and urgently with the United Nations in the implementation of resolutions 425 (1978) and 426 (1978);

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3. Requests the Secretary-General to report to the Council on the implementation of this resolution in two months to allow it to assess the situation and to examine what further measures should be taken, and to report again at the end of the four-month period.

At the 2086th meeting, on 19 September, the President, with the consent of the Council, invited the representatives of Lebanon, Israel and the Syrian Arab Republic, at their request, to participate in the discussion without the right to vote. The President drew attention to a letter dated 18 September (S/12851), from the representative of Kuwait requesting that, in accordance with past practice, the Council extend an invitation to the representative of the Palestine Liberation Organization to participate in its discussion. The President noted that that proposal was not made pursuant to rule 37 or rule 39 of the provisional rules of procedure, but if approved by the Council the invitation would confer on the Palestine Liberation Organization the same rights of participation as those conferred on Member States invited pursuant to rule 37.

At the request of the representative of the United States, the President put the proposal to the vote. The Council adopted the proposal by 10 votes in favour, 1 against (United States of America) and 4 abstentions (Canada, France, Germany, Federal Republic of, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland).
