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SUMMARY STATEMENT BY THE SECRETARY-GENERAL ON MATTERS  
OF WHICH 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 complete list of items of which the Security Council is seized is contained in document S/11935 of 5 January 1976 and the pertinent addenda. During the week ending 4 December 1976, the Security Council took action on the following items:

Admission of new Members (see S/7382, S/7564, S/8301, S/8555, S/8815, S/8896, S/9961, S/10121, S/10296, S/10327, S/10351, S/10462, S/10762, S/10770/Add.1, S/10855/Add.25, S/10855/Add.29, S/11185/Add.22, S/11185/Add.23, S/11185/Add.24, S/11185/Add.31 and S/11185/Add.32, S/11593/Add.31, S/11593/Add.32, S/11593/Add.33, S/11593/Add.38, S/11593/Add.39, S/11593/Add.41 and S/11593/Add.48, S/11935/Add.25, S/11935/Add.33, S/11935/Add.36, S/11935/Add.45, S/11935/Add.46 and S/11935/Add.47).

By a note dated 29 November 1976 (S/12245), the Secretary-General circulated the application of Western Samoa for admission to membership in the United Nations contained in a letter dated 29 November 1976 from the Prime Minister of Western Samoa addressed to the Secretary-General.

The Security Council considered the application at its 1976th and 1977th meetings, held on 1 December 1976.

At the 1976th meeting, the President, in accordance with the provisions of rule 59 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure, and in the absence of a proposal to the contrary, referred the application of Western Samoa to the Committee on the Admission of New Members for consideration and report.

At the 1977th meeting, the Council considered the report of the Committee on the Admission of New Members (S/12249). The President, with the consent of the Council, invited the representatives of Fiji and New Zealand, at their request, to participate in the discussion without the right to vote.

At the same meeting, the Security Council voted on the draft resolution recommended by the Committee on the Admission of New Members in document S/12249 and adopted it unanimously as resolution 399 (1976). Resolution 399 (1976) reads as follows:

The Security Council,

Having examined the application of Western Samoa for admission to the United Nations (S/12245),

Recommends to the General Assembly that Western Samoa be admitted to membership in the United Nations.

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.42/Corr.1, S/11185/Add.47, S/11593/Add.15, S/11593/Add.21, S/11593/Add.29, S/11593/Add.42, S/11593/Add.48, S/11593/Add.49, S/11935/Add.21 and S/11935/Add.42)

The Security Council resumed its consideration of the item at its 1975th meeting, held on 30 November 1976, and included in its agenda the report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force covering the period 25 May to 22 November 1976 (S/12235).

The President called attention to the draft resolution before the Council (S/12246), which had been prepared during prior consultations among members of the Council. The Security Council adopted the draft resolution (S/12246) as resolution 398 (1976) by 12 votes to none. Benin, China and the Libyan Arab Republic did not participate in the vote. In its operative paragraph, resolution 398 (1976) reads as follows:

Decides:

(a) To call upon the parties concerned to implement immediately Security Council resolution 338 (1973);

(b) To renew the mandate of the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force for another period of six months, that is, until 31 May 1977;

(c) To request the Secretary-General to submit at the end of this period a report on the developments in the situation and the measures taken to implement Security Council resolution 338 (1973).

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Following the vote, the President of the Council made the following declaration (S/12247):

In connexion with the adoption of the resolution 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 regarding the resolution just adopted:

As is known, the report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force (S/12235) states in paragraph 32 that "despite the present quiet in the Israeli-Syria sector, there can be no question that the situation in the Middle East will remain unstable and potentially dangerous unless real progress can be made towards a just and lasting settlement of the problem in all its aspects". This statement of the Secretary-General reflects the view of the Security Council.

Further, I have been asked by the delegations of Benin, China and the Libyan Arab Republic to say that, as they have not participated in the vote on this resolution, they take the same position with regard to the statement which I have just read on behalf of the members of the Council.

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