United Nations



 $A_{\rm /76/737-}S_{\rm /2022/169}$

Distr.: General 3 March 2022 English Original: Arabic

General Assembly Seventy-sixth session Agenda item 67 The situation in the temporarily occupied territories of Ukraine Security Council Seventy-seventh year

Identical letters dated 1 March 2022 from the Permanent Representative of Kuwait to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council

Given that Kuwait currently chairs the Council of the League of Arab States at the ministerial level, it is my honour to transmit herewith a letter from the Permanent Observer of the League of Arab States to the United Nations (see annex) in which he requests transmittal of his letter dated 28 February 2022, annexed to which is the original Arabic text of the Arab communiqué on developments in the crisis in Ukraine, which was adopted by the Council of the League at the level of representatives at its extraordinary session held in the capital of Egypt on 28 February 2022.

I should be grateful if the present letter and its annex could be circulated as document of the General Assembly, under agenda item 67, and of the Security Council.

(Signed) Mansour Ayyad Sh. A. Alotaibi Ambassador Permanent Representative of Kuwait to the United Nations





Annex to the identical letters dated 1 March 2022 from the Permanent Representative of Kuwait to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council

Letter dated 28 February 2022 from the Permanent Observer of the League of Arab States to the United Nations addressed to the Permanent Representative of Kuwait to the United Nations

In keeping with the practice followed by the Group of Arab States whereby the Chair of each ministerial session of the Council of the League of Arab States is charged with transmitting the relevant resolutions to the appropriate United Nations bodies by means of an official memorandum or letter from the Permanent Observer Mission for the League of Arab States to the United Nations, and in accordance with Article 54 of the Charter of the United Nations, I have the honour to transmit herewith the original Arabic text of the Arab communiqué on developments in the crisis in Ukraine, which was adopted by the Council of the League at the level of representatives at its extraordinary session held in Cairo on 28 February 2022.

In accordance with the instructions of the secretariat of the League of Arab States in that regard, I should be grateful if would transmit the present letter and its enclosure to the Secretary-General of the United Nations for issuance as a document of the General Assembly, under agenda item 67, and of the Security Council.

> (Signed) Maged Abdelfattah Abdelaziz Ambassador Head of the Observer Mission, New York

Enclosure

Communiqué on developments in the crisis in Ukraine issued by the Council of the League of Arab States at the level of permanent representatives at its extraordinary session

On 28 February 2022, the Council of the League of Arab States at the level of permanent representatives assembled for an extraordinary session, chaired by Kuwait and held at the request of Egypt, to discuss the latest developments in the crisis in Ukraine. After thorough deliberations, during which the Council of the League reviewed developments in the situation and its implications for international peace and security, as well as its direct impact on the Arab States, and in the light of the close ties that bind Arab States and the two parties involved in the crisis and their friendly peoples, the Council:

1. *Expresses* its concern at the ongoing developments in the situation in Ukraine; and *supports* all efforts to resolve the crisis through dialogue and diplomacy, with a view to safeguarding the security and safety of the peoples of this important region of the world;

2. *Stresses* the importance of adhering to the principles of international law and the Charter of the United Nations and supporting efforts to ease tensions; and *calls for* de-escalation and restraint, with a view to re-establishing stability and allowing life to return to normal;

3. *Expresses* concern at the deteriorating humanitarian situation; and *stresses* that it is important for Arab States to continue cooperating and coordinating with each other in order to preserve the security and safety of Arab communities currently in the region, facilitate the transit of those who wish to leave for neighbouring countries and ensure the security and safety of Arab diplomatic missions;

4. *Recommends* that an Arab contact group at the ministerial level be established to follow up on the situation and hold the consultations and make the contacts required with the parties concerned, with a view to contributing to a diplomatic solution to the crisis; and *instructs* the secretariat to hold the consultations required to adopt this recommendation.

(Communiqué 246 – extraordinary session – second meeting – 28 February 2022)