which was worked out at the high-level meeting on 18 and 19 May 1979 at Nicosia under the auspices of the Secretary-General,

- 1. Extends once more the stationing in Cyprus of the United Nations Peace-keeping Force established under resolution 186 (1964) for a further period, ending on 15 December 1983:
- 2. Notes with satisfaction that the parties have resumed the intercommunal talks within the framework of the ten-point agreement and urges them to pursue these talks in a continuing, sustained and result-oriented manner, avoiding any delay;
- 3. Requests the Secretary-General to continue his mission of good offices, to keep the Security Council informed of the progress made and to submit a report on the implementation of the present resolution by 30 November 1983.

Adopted unanimously at the 2453rd meeting.

Decisions

At its 2497th meeting, on 17 November 1983, the Council decided to invite the representatives of Australia, Canada, Cyprus, Greece, India, Romania, Seychelles, Sri Lanka, Turkey and Yugoslavia to participate, without vote, in the discussion of the item entitled:

"The situation in Cyprus:

"Letter dated 15 November 1983 from the Permanent Representative of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/16147);⁵⁷

"Letter dated 15 November 1983 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Cyprus to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/16150);⁵⁷

"Letter dated 15 November 1983 from the Permanent Representative of Greece to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/16151)".57

At its 2498th meeting, on 17 November 1983, the Council decided to invite the representatives of Algeria, Cuba and Democratic Yemen to participate, without vote, in the discussion of the question.

At the same meeting, the Council also decided to extend an invitation to Mr. Rauf Denktaş under rule 39 of the provisional rules of procedure.

⁵⁷ See Official Records of the Security Council, Thirty-eighth Year, Supplement for October, November and December 1983.

At its 2500th meeting, on 18 November 1983, the Council decided to invite the representative of Egypt to participate, without vote, in the discussion of the question.

Resolution 541 (1983)

of 18 November 1983

The Security Council,

Having heard the statement of the Foreign Minister of the Government of the Republic of Cyprus, 58

Concerned at the declaration by the Turkish Cypriot authorities issued on 15 November 1983⁵⁹ which purports to create an independent State in northern Cyprus,

Considering that this declaration is incompatible with the 1960 Treaty concerning the establishment of the Republic of Cyprus⁶⁰ and the 1960 Treaty of Guarantee,⁶¹

Considering, therefore, that the attempt to create a "Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus" is invalid, and will contribute to a worsening of the situation in Cyprus,

Reaffirming its resolutions 365 (1974) and 367 (1975),

Aware of the need for a solution of the Cyprus problem based on the mission of good offices undertaken by the Secretary-General,

Affirming its continuing support for the United Nations Peace-keeping Force in Cyprus,

Taking note of the Secretary-General's statement of 17 November 1983,⁵⁸

- 1. Deplores the declaration of the Turkish Cypriot authorities of the purported secession of part of the Republic of Cyprus;
- 2. Considers the declaration referred to above as legally invalid and calls for its withdrawal;
- 3. Calls for the urgent and effective implementation of its resolutions 365 (1974) and 367 (1975);
- 4. Requests the Secretary-General to pursue his mission of good offices, in order to achieve the earliest possible progress towards a just and lasting settlement in Cyprus;

61 Ibid., No. 5475, p. 4.

⁵⁸ Ibid., Thirty-eighth Year, 2497th meeting.

⁵⁹ Ibid., Thirty-eighth Year, Supplement for October, November and December 1983, document S/16148, appendix.

⁶⁰ United Nations, Treaty Series, vol. 382, No. 5476, p. 10.

- 5. Calls upon the parties to co-operate fully with the Secretary-General in his mission of good offices;
- 6. Calls upon all States to respect the sovereignty, independence, territorial integrity and non-alignment of the Republic of Cyprus;
- 7. Calls upon all States not to recognize any Cypriot State other than the Republic of Cyprus;
- 8. Calls upon all States and the two communities in Cyprus to refrain from any action which might exacerbate the situation:
- 9. Requests the Secretary-General to keep the Security Council fully informed.

Adopted at the 2500th meeting by 13 votes to 1 against (Pakistan), with 1 abstention (Jordan).

Decisions

At its 2503rd meeting, on 15 December 1983, the Council decided to invite the representatives of Cyprus, Greece and Turkey to participate, without vote, in the discussion of the item entitled "The situation in Cyprus: report by the Secretary-General on the United Nations operation in Cyprus (S/16192 and Add.1)".57

At the same meeting, the Council also decided to extend an invitation to Mr. Nail Atalay under rule 39 of the provisional rules of procedure.

Resolution 544 (1983)

of 15 December 1983

The Security Council,

Taking note of the report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations operation in Cyprus of 1 December 1983,62

Noting the recommendation by the Secretary-General that the Security Council should extend the stationing of the United Nations Peace-keeping Force in Cyprus for a further period of six months,

Noting also that the Government of Cyprus has agreed that in view of the prevailing conditions in the island it is necessary to keep the Force in Cyprus beyond 15 December 1983,

Reaffirming the provisions of its resolution 186 (1964) and other relevant resolutions,

- 1. Extends once more the stationing in Cyprus of the United Nations Peace-keeping Force established under resolution 186 (1964) for a further period, ending on 15 June 1984;
- 2. Requests the Secretary-General to continue his mission of good offices, to keep the Security Council informed of the progress made and to submit a report on the implementation of the present resolution by 31 May 1984;
- 3. Calls upon all the parties concerned to continue to co-operate with the Force on the basis of the present mandate.

Adopted unanimously at the 2503rd meeting.

COMPLAINT BY LESOTHO AGAINST SOUTH AFRICA63

Decision

At its 2455th meeting, on 29 June 1983, the Council decided to invite the representative of Lesotho to participate, without vote, in the discussion of the item entitled "Complaint by Lesotho against South Africa: report of the Secretary-General (S/15600)".64

Resolution 535 (1983)

of 29 June 1983

The Security Council,

Recalling its resolution 527 (1982),

64 Issued on 9 February 1983.

Having examined the report of the Mission to Lesotho appointed by the Secretary-General in accordance with resolution 527 (1982),65

Having heard the statement of the Chargé d'affaires of the Permanent Mission of the Kingdom of Lesotho expressing the deep concern of his Government at the frequent aggressive acts by South Africa against the territorial integrity and independence of Lesotho,

Reaffirming its opposition to the system of apartheid and the right of all countries to receive refugees fleeing from apartheid oppression,

Convinced of the importance of international solidarity with Lesotho,

1. Commends the Government of Lesotho for its steadfast opposition to apartheid and its generosity to the South African refugees;

⁶² Official Records of the Security Council, Thirty-eighth Year, Supplement for October, November and December 1983, document S/16192.

⁶³ Resolutions or decisions on this question were also adopted by the Council in 1976, 1977 and 1982.

⁶⁵ S/15600.