

## THE SITUATION IN THE MIDDLE EAST<sup>13</sup>

### Decisions

On 26 January 1984, the President issued the following statement after consultations of the Council held on the same date:<sup>14</sup>

“Concern has been expressed to the President of the Security Council in documents S/16249, S/16255 and S/16261, regarding legislation at present under consideration by the Israeli Knesset.

“The Council notes the subsequent letter on this matter from the representative of Israel contained in document S/16269 dated 11 January 1984.

“In this connection, the Security Council recalls its previous resolutions stressing the applicability of the Geneva Convention relative to the Protection of Civilian Persons in Time of War, of 12 August 1949,<sup>15</sup> and urges that no steps be taken which could lead to further aggravation of tension in the area.”

At its 2514th meeting, on 15 February 1984, the Council decided to invite the representatives of Italy and Lebanon to participate, without vote, in the discussion of the item entitled “The situation in the Middle East: letter dated 14 February 1984 from the Permanent Representative of France to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/16339)”.<sup>16</sup>

At its 2516th meeting, on 23 February 1984, the Council decided to invite the representative of Senegal to participate, without vote, in the discussion of the question.

At its 2530th meeting, on 19 April 1984, the Council decided to invite the representatives of Israel and Lebanon to participate, without vote, in the discussion of the item entitled “The situation in the Middle East: report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon (S/16472)”.<sup>17</sup>

<sup>13</sup> Resolutions or decisions on this question were also adopted by the Council in 1967, 1968, 1969, 1970, 1971, 1972, 1973, 1974, 1975, 1976, 1977, 1978, 1979, 1980, 1981, 1982 and 1983.

<sup>14</sup> S/16293.

<sup>15</sup> United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 75, No. 973, p. 287.

<sup>16</sup> See *Official Records of the Security Council, Thirty-ninth Year, Supplement for January, February and March 1984*.

<sup>17</sup> *Ibid.*, Supplement for April, May and June 1984.

### Resolution 549 (1984)

of 19 April 1984

*The Security Council,*

*Recalling* its resolutions 425 (1978), 426 (1978), 501 (1982), 508 (1982), 509 (1982) and 520 (1982), as well as all its resolutions on the situation in Lebanon,

*Having studied* the report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon of 9 April 1984<sup>18</sup> and taking note of the observations expressed therein,

*Taking note* of the letter of the Permanent Representative of Lebanon to the Secretary-General of 9 April 1984,<sup>19</sup>

*Responding* to the request of the Government of Lebanon,

1. *Decides* to extend the present mandate of the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon for a further interim period of six months, that is, until 19 October 1984;

2. *Reiterates* its strong support for the territorial integrity, sovereignty and independence of Lebanon within its internationally recognized boundaries;

3. *Re-emphasizes* the terms of reference and general guidelines of the Force as stated in the report of the Secretary-General of 19 March 1978,<sup>20</sup> approved by resolution 426 (1978), and calls upon all parties concerned to co-operate fully with the Force for the full implementation of its mandate;

4. *Reiterates* that the Force should fully implement its mandate as defined in resolutions 425 (1978), 426 (1978) and all other relevant resolutions;

5. *Requests* the Secretary-General to continue consultations with the Government of Lebanon and other parties directly concerned on the implementation of the present resolution and to report to the Council thereon.

*Adopted at the 2530th meeting by 13 votes to none, with 2 abstentions (Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics).*

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At its 2540th meeting, on 21 May 1984, the Council decided to invite the representatives of Israel, Kuwait and Lebanon to participate, without vote, in the discussion of the item entitled “The situation in the

<sup>18</sup> *Ibid.*, document S/16472.

<sup>19</sup> *Ibid.*, document S/16471.

<sup>20</sup> *Ibid.*, *Thirty-third Year, Supplement for January, February and March 1978*, document S/12611.