

**Resolution 339 (1973)**  
**of 23 October 1973**

*The Security Council,*

*Referring to its resolution 338 (1973) of 22 October 1973,*

1. *Confirms* its decision on an immediate cessation of all kinds of firing and of all military action, and urges that the forces of the two sides be returned to the positions they occupied at the moment the cease-fire became effective;

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General to take measures for immediate dispatch of United Nations observers to supervise the observance of the cease-fire between the forces of Israel and the Arab Republic of Egypt, using for this purpose the personnel of the United Nations now in the Middle East and first of all the personnel now in Cairo.

*Adopted at the 1748th meeting by 14 votes to none<sup>28</sup>*

**Resolution 340 (1973)**  
**of 25 October 1973**

*The Security Council,*

*Recalling its resolutions 338 (1973) of 22 October and 339 (1973) of 23 October 1973.*

*Noting with regret* the reported repeated violations of the cease-fire in non-compliance with resolutions 338 (1973) and 339 (1973),

*Noting with concern* from the Secretary-General's report<sup>29</sup> that the United Nations military observers have not yet been enabled to place themselves on both sides of the cease-fire line,

1. *Demands* that immediate and complete cease-fire be observed and that the parties return to the positions occupied by them at 1650 hours GMT on 22 October 1973;

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General, as an immediate step, to increase the number of United Nations military observers on both sides;

3. *Decides* to set up immediately, under its authority, a United Nations Emergency Force to be composed of personnel drawn from States Members of the United Nations except the permanent members of the Security Council, and requests the Secretary-General to report within 24 hours on the steps taken to this effect;

4. *Requests* the Secretary-General to report to the Council on an urgent and continuing basis on the state of implementation of the present resolution, as well as resolutions 338 (1973) and 339 (1973);

<sup>28</sup> One member (China) did not participate in the voting.

<sup>29</sup> See *Official Records of the Security Council, Twenty-eighth Year, 1749th meeting.*

5. *Requests* all Member States to extend their full co-operation to the United Nations in the implementation of the present resolution, as well as resolutions 338 (1973) and 339 (1973).

*Adopted at the 1750th meeting by 14 votes to none<sup>30</sup>*

**Decisions**

At its 1750th meeting, on 25 October 1973, the Council authorized the Secretary-General to take certain urgent interim measures, as proposed by him (S/11049),<sup>31</sup> namely, to transfer contingents from the United Nations Peace-keeping Force in Cyprus to Egypt and to appoint General Siilasvuo, Chief of Staff of UNTSO, as the interim Commander of the United Nations Emergency Force established under resolution 340 (1973).

At its 1751st meeting, on 26 October 1973, the Council decided (a) to authorize the Secretary-General to send an additional force from Cyprus, as an interim measure, should he consider it necessary, and (b) to ask the Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council to appeal to the parties to cooperate fully and effectively with the International Red Cross.

At the same meeting the Council decided to invite the representative of Zambia to participate, without vote, in the discussion of the question.

**Resolution 341 (1973)**  
**of 27 October 1973**

*The Security Council*

1. *Approves* the report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of Security Council resolution 340 (1973) contained in document S/11052/Rev.1<sup>32</sup> dated 27 October 1973;

2. *Decides* that the Force shall be established in accordance with the above-mentioned report for an initial period of six months, and that it shall continue in operation thereafter, if required, provided the Security Council so decides.

*Adopted at the 1752nd meeting by 14 votes to none<sup>33</sup>*

<sup>30</sup> One member (China) did not participate in the voting.

<sup>31</sup> See *Official Records of the Security Council, Twenty-eighth Year, Supplement for October, November and December 1973.*

<sup>32</sup> *Ibid.*

<sup>33</sup> One member (China) did not participate in the voting.