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GENERAL INTRODUCTION

The present volume constitutes the eighth supplement to the Repertoire of the Practice of the Security Council, 1946-1951, which was issued in 1954. It covers the proceedings of the Security Council from the 1813th meeting, on 20 February 1975, to the 2261st meeting, on 19 December 1980. Further supplements covering the proceedings of later meetings will be issued at suitable intervals.

In order to make it easier to trace the Council's practice in respect of any given topic over the entire period covered by the eight volumes, the headings under which the practices and procedures of the Council were presented in the original volume have been generally maintained unchanged in this Supplement. Topics that the Council did not discuss anew during this time are identified by double asterisks.

The methods employed and the principles observed in the preparation of this Supplement are the same as for the original volume of the Repertoire. They are explained in the general introduction to that volume. The Repertoire is an expository work, which presents the results of an empirical survey of the procedures of the Council in a way calculated to make reference easy, and constitutes essentially a guide to the proceedings of the Council.

As was observed in the original volume, the Repertoire is not intended as a substitute for the records of the Council, which constitute the only comprehensive and authoritative account of its deliberations. The categories employed to arrange the material are not intended to suggest the existence of procedures or practices that have not been clearly or demonstrably established by the Council itself. The Council is at all times, within the framework of the Charter of the United Nations, "master of its own procedure". The object of the Repertoire will have been achieved if readers, by using the descriptive titles of the headings under which the material is presented, are enabled to find relevant proceedings in order to draw conclusions for themselves concerning the practice of the Council.

Details of the decisions of the Council have been included where appropriate in the accounts of its proceedings that make up this volume. The term "decision" has again been used to mean not only those "decisions" to which specific reference was made in the text of Articles of the Charter, but all significant steps decided upon by the Council, whether by vote or otherwise, in the course of consideration of a question.

The reader should refer for full explanations of the organization and presentation of material to the explanatory matter in the original volume. An effort has been made to avoid unnecessary repetition of such explanations in this Supplement.

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Example:

S/11659, OR, 30th yr., Suppl. for Jan.-March 1975.

For documents printed only in the Official Records of meetings, reference is given to the meeting and paragraph number.

Example:

S/12958, 2106th mtg., para. 7.

References to resolutions of the Council, published in yearly volumes of Resolutions and Decisions of the Security Council, follow the system adopted in 1964. They are identified by number, followed by the year of adoption in parentheses.

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Resolution 373 (1975).

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GAOR, 32nd sess., plen. mtg., 3500th mtg., para. 3;

GAOR, 32nd sess., Suppl. No. 45 (A/32/45).

For resolutions of the General Assembly:

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Short title

Situation in Cyprus

Official title

The situation in Cyprus:

Letter dated 17 February 1975 from the Permanent Representative of Cyprus to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/11625)

Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Operation in Cyprus (S/11717)
Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Operation in Cyprus (S/11900 and Add.1)

Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Operation in Cyprus (S/12093)
Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Operation in Cyprus (S/12253 and Add.1)

Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Operation in Cyprus (S/12342 and Add.1)

Letter dated 26 August 1977 from the Permanent Representative of Cyprus to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/12387)

Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Operation in Cyprus (S/12463 and Add.1)

Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Operation in Cyprus (S/12723 and

Letter dated 7 November 1978 from the Permanent Representative of Cyprus to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/12918)

Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Operation in Cyprus (S/12946 and Add. 1)

Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Operation in Cyprus (S/13369 and Add.1)

Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Operation in Cyprus (S/13672 and Add.1)

Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Operation in Cyprus (S/13972 and Add.1)

Situation in Cyprus (continued)

Situation in the Middle East

Official title

Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Operation in Cyprus (S/14275 and Add.1)

The situation in the Middle East:

Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Emergency Force (S/11670)

Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force (S/11694)

Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Emergency Force (S/11758)

Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Emergency Force (S/11849)

Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force (S/11883 and Add.1)

- (a) Letter dated 3 December 1975 from the Permanent Representative of Lebanon to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/11892)
- (b) Letter dated 3 December 1975 from the Permanent Representative of Egypt to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/11893)

Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force (\$/12083 and Add.1)

Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Emergency Force (S/12212)

Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force (S/12235)

Report of the Secretary-General submitted 31/62 concerning the Peace Conference on the Middle East (S/12290 and Corr.1)

Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force (S/12333)

Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Emergency Force (S/12453)

Letter dated 17 March 1978 from the Permanent Representative of Lebanon to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/12606)

Letter dated 17 March 1978 from the Permanent Representative of Israel to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/12607)

Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of Security Council resolution 425 (1978) (S/12611)

Letter dated 1 May 1978 from the Secretary-General to the President of the Security Council (\$/12675)

Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force (S/12710)

Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon (S/12845). The situation in the Middle East 1

Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Emergency Force (S/12897)

Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force (S/12934)

Interim report of the Secretary-General under Security Council resolution 434 (1978) concerning the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon (S/12929)

Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon (S/13026 and Corr.1)

Interim report of the Secretary-General under Security Council resolution 444 (1979) concerning the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon (S/13258)

Letter dated 25 April 1979 from the Permanent Representative of Lebanon to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/13270)

Letter dated 7 May 1979 from the Permanent Representative of Lebanon to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/13301)

Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force (S/13350)

Letter dated 30 May 1979 from the Permanent Representative of Lebanon to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/13356)

Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon (S/13384)
Letters dated 24 August 1979 and 28 August 1979 from the Permanent Representative of
Lebanon to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

(S/13516 and S/13520)

Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force (S/13637)

Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon (S/13691) Letter dated 10 April 1980 from the Permanent Representative of Lebanon to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/13885)

Special report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon (S/13888 and Corr.1 and Add.1-3)

Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force (S/13957)

¹The Council took up the item without including any documents in its agenda

Situation in the Middle East (continued)

Situation in Namibia

Admission of new Members

Official title

- Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon (S/13994)
- Letter dated 28 May 1980 from the Acting Permanent Representative of Pakistan to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/13966)
- Letter dated 1 August 1980 from the Acting Permanent Representative of Pakistan to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council (\$/14084)
- Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force (S/14263)
- Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon (S/14295) The situation in Namibia 1

The situation in Namibia:

- Letter dated 16 December 1975 from the Secretary-General to the President of the Security Council (S/11918)
- Report of the Secretary-General submitted pursuant to paragraph 7 of Security Council resolution 431 (1978) (5/12827)
- Report of the Secretary-General submitted pursuant to paragraph 7 of Security Council resolution 435 (1978) (S/12903)
- Letter dated 24 October 1978 from the Permanent Representative of Burundi to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/12906)
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