

## 4. The situation in Burundi

During the period under review, the Security Council held twelve meetings in connection with the situation in Burundi and adopted two resolutions and three presidential statements.

In 2014, the Council focused on the challenges facing the consolidation of peace in Burundi and the transition from the United Nations Office in Burundi (BNUB)<sup>15</sup> to a United Nations country team presence. The focus of the Council in 2015 shifted to the deteriorating situation following successful bid for a third term in office by the President of Burundi. In March 2015, a Security Council mission visited Burundi.

During the period under review, the Council extended the mandate of BNUB for the last time until 31 December 2014,<sup>16</sup> and established the Electoral Mission of the United Nations in Burundi (MENUM) to follow and report to the Secretary-General and the Council on the electoral process in Burundi in 2015.<sup>17</sup> In its decisions, the Council expressed concern about human rights violations, appealed for an inter-Burundian political dialogue, and welcomed regional mediation efforts.

At the end of 2015, in light of the deterioration of the political situation, the Council requested the Secretary-General to provide options on future United Nations presence in the country. In this regard, the Secretary-General suggested a Chapter VII multidimensional integrated peacekeeping operation or a fully-fledged integrated special political mission.<sup>18</sup>

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<sup>15</sup> For details on the mandate of BNUB, see Part X, sect. II.

<sup>16</sup> Resolution [2137 \(2014\)](#).

<sup>17</sup> For details on the mandate of MENUM, see Part X, sect. II.

<sup>18</sup> [S/2015/926](#).

### Meetings: the situation in Burundi

<i>Meeting and date</i>	<i>Sub-item</i>	<i>Other documents</i>	<i>Rule 37 invitations</i>	<i>Rule 39 and other invitations</i>	<i>Speakers</i>	<i>Decision and vote (for-against-abstaining)</i>
<a href="#">S/PV.7104</a> 28 January 2014	Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Office in Burundi ( <a href="#">S/2014/36</a> )		Burundi (Minister for Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation)	Special Representative of the Secretary-General and Head of United Nations Office in Burundi (BNUB), Chair of the Burundi configuration of the Peacebuilding Commission	All invitees	
<a href="#">S/PV.7110</a> 13 February 2014	Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Office in Burundi ( <a href="#">S/2014/36</a> )	Draft resolution submitted by France and Nigeria ( <a href="#">S/2014/96</a> )	Burundi		United States and Burundi	<a href="#">Resolution 2137 (2014)</a> (15-0-0)
<a href="#">S/PV.7174</a> 14 May 2014			Burundi <sup>a</sup>	Special Representative of the Secretary-General <sup>b</sup> , Chair of the Burundi configuration of the Peacebuilding Commission	All invitees	
<a href="#">S/PV.7236</a> 6 August 2014	Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Office in Burundi ( <a href="#">S/2014/550</a> )		Burundi	Special Representative of the Secretary-General	All invitees	
<a href="#">S/PV.7295</a> 5 November 2014			Burundi <sup>c</sup>	Special Representative of the Secretary-General <sup>d</sup> , Chair of the Burundi configuration of the Peacebuilding Commission	All invitees	

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<a href="#">S/PV.7364</a> 21 January 2015	Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Office in Burundi ( <a href="#">S/2015/36</a> )		Burundi	Under-Secretary-General for Political Affairs, Chair of the Burundi configuration of the Peacebuilding Commission	All invitees	
<a href="#">S/PV.7388</a> 18 February 2015						<a href="#">S/PRST/2015/6</a>
<a href="#">S/PV.7473</a> 26 June 2015			Burundi		Burundi	<a href="#">S/PRST/2015/13</a>
<a href="#">S/PV.7482</a> 9 July 2015	Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Electoral Observation Mission in Burundi ( <a href="#">S/2015/510</a> )		Burundi	Assistant Secretary-General for Political Affairs, United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights <sup>e</sup>	All invitees	
<a href="#">S/PV.7546</a> 28 October 2015						<a href="#">S/PRST/2015/18</a>
<a href="#">S/PV.7553</a> 9 November 2015			Burundi (Minister for External Relations and International Cooperation) <sup>f</sup> , Uganda	Under-Secretary-General for Political Affairs, United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights, Special Advisor to the Secretary-General on the Prevention of Genocide, Chair of the Burundi configuration of the Peacebuilding Commission <sup>g</sup> , Permanent Observer of the African Union to the United Nations	All invitees	

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<a href="#">S/PV.7557</a> 12 November 2015		Draft resolution submitted by France ( <a href="#">S/2015/865</a> )				<a href="#">Resolution 2248 (2015)</a> (15-0-0)

<sup>a</sup> Burundi was represented by its Minister of the Interior, via videoconference from Bujumbura.

<sup>b</sup> The Special Representative joined the meeting via videoconference from Bujumbura.

<sup>c</sup> Burundi was represented by its Director General of International Organizations and Non-governmental Organizations at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation, via videoconference from Bujumbura.

<sup>d</sup> The Special Representative joined the meeting via videoconference from Bujumbura.

<sup>e</sup> The High Commissioner for Human Rights joined the meeting via videoconference from Geneva.

<sup>f</sup> The Minister joined the meeting via videoconference from Bujumbura.

<sup>g</sup> The High Commissioner for Human Rights, the Special Adviser to the Secretary-General on the Prevention of Genocide and the Chair of the Burundi Configuration of the Peacebuilding Commission joined the meeting via videoconference from, respectively, Geneva, Jordan and Bujumbura.