

31. General issues relating to sanctions

During the period under review, the Security Council held a meeting in connection with the item entitled “General issues relating to sanctions”. This was the first meeting under that agenda item since 2006. The Council were briefed by the Under-Secretary-General for Political Affairs and the Secretary-General of INTERPOL, respectively. Recognizing sanctions as an important tool to manage conflict and acknowledging the improvement of targeted sanctions in minimizing humanitarian impact on civilians, several speakers addressed the challenges in effectively implementing sanctions and stressed the need for strengthening due process, building national capacities, enhancing communication and coordination between and among relevant United Nations offices, countries affected and other international and regional actors, and engaging with the wider membership of the United Nations and the private sector.

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<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>
S/PV. 7323 25 November 2014	Letter dated 5 November 2014 from the Permanent Representative of Australia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary General (S/2014/793)			Under-Secretary-General for Political Affairs and Secretary-General of INTERPOL	All Council members and all invitees	