

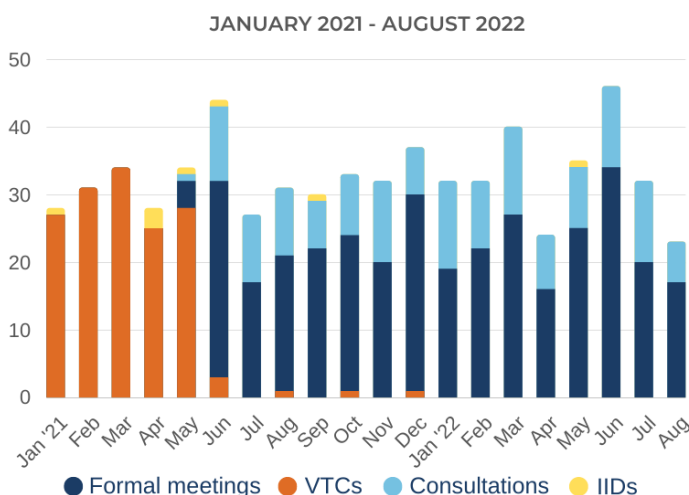
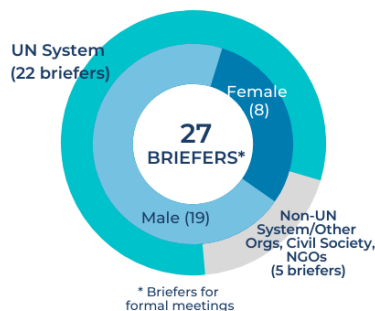
UN Security Council in Review

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August 2022 at a Glance



Under the **Presidency of China**, the Security Council held **two signature events**:

- An open debate on **Peace and security in Africa** (8-9 August), focused on capacity-building for sustaining peace. **30 Member States** participated under rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.
- A briefing on **Maintenance of international peace and security** (22 August), focused on promoting common security through dialogue and cooperation. The Council heard briefings by the **Secretary-General** and by the **President of the Tenth Review Conference of the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons**.

Key Topics

The **Middle East** (15, 16, 17, 29, 30 and 31 August), including a private meeting with troop-contributing countries to the **United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon (UNIFIL)**, was the most frequently considered country- or region-specific item discussed in open and closed discussions, followed by items relating to **Ukraine** (11, 23 and 24 August), the **Middle East, including the Palestinian question** (8 and 25 August), including an emergency meeting further to the announcement of the ceasefire on 7 August, and **Peace and security in Africa** (8-9 and 31 August).

Other country or region-specific items considered by the Council included: **Afghanistan, the Democratic Republic**

of the **Congo, Libya, Mali, and the Sudan and South Sudan**. The Council discussed under other matters (AOB) the situation in **Georgia**.

The Council also heard a briefing on **Threats to international peace and security caused by terrorist acts** (9 August) and held consultations on **Non-proliferation/DPRK** (30 August).

Procedural notes

On 24 August, the Council held a procedural vote on the proposal to invite the **President of Ukraine** in accordance with rule 37 of the provisional rules of procedure to participate via videoconference in the meeting under the item entitled “**Maintenance of peace and security of Ukraine**”. The proposal was adopted by 13 votes in favour, one against (Russian Federation) and one abstention (China) (see [S/PV.9115](#)).

Decisions and press statements

The Council unanimously adopted two resolutions. On 30 August, the Council adopted resolution [2649 \(2022\)](#) under Chapter VII of the Charter, renewing for one year the **travel ban and asset freeze concerning the situation in Mali** and extending until 30 September 2023 the mandate of the **Panel of Experts** (see [S/PV.9119](#)). On 31 August, the Council adopted resolution [2650 \(2022\)](#), extending for one year the mandate of **UNIFIL** and requesting the mission to support and assist the Lebanese Armed Forces with the provision of relevant additional non-lethal material and logistical support (see [S/PV.9121](#)).

The Council also issued one presidential statement ([S/PRST/2022/6](#)) on 31 August, welcoming the progress made by African countries, the African Union and subregional organizations in **conflict prevention, peacemaking, peacekeeping, peacebuilding and development**, recognizing the need to step up **capacity-building support to African countries** in a comprehensive, inclusive, adaptive and targeted manner and emphasizing the importance of respecting the **ownership and leadership of African countries** in that regard (see [S/PV.9122](#)).

On 4 August, the Council issued its only **press statement** of the month, welcoming the 2 August renewal of the truce in **Yemen** ([SC/14992](#)).

Other activities

In August, Council members convened two **Arria-formula meetings** on the following topics: “**Implementation of Note 507 by the President of the Security Council (S/2017/507): Penholdership**” convened by the Russian Federation (11 August), and “**Threats to International Peace and Security Caused by Transnational Activities of Terrorist Groups**” convened by Kenya and the United Arab Emirates (31 August).

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