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17. The situation in Afghanistan

During the period under review, the Security Council held nine meetings and adopted three resolutions and two presidential statements on the situation in Afghanistan.

The Council focused on the political transition, including the presidential elections and formation of the National Unity Government, as well as on the security transition to full responsibility of the Afghan National Security Forces (ANSF) nationwide following the reduction of international military forces. The Council discussed the role of the United Nations, *inter alia*, in the election process, international aid coordination, good offices and the peace process, the fight against drug trafficking, the promotion of human rights, provision of humanitarian assistance, and economic and social development.

The Council recognised the gains made by Afghanistan since the fall of the Taliban in 2001 and condemned the violent and terrorist activities *inter alia* by the Taliban, Al-Qaida and other violent and extremist groups.¹ The Council also stressed the importance of a comprehensive and inclusive, Afghan-led and Afghan-owned political process in Afghanistan,² and called on all political entities to work together in accordance with the Afghan Constitution, with the aim of strengthening Afghanistan's sovereignty, independence, territorial integrity and

¹ Resolution [2210 \(2015\)](#).

² Resolution [2189 \(2014\)](#).

national unity in order to achieve a peaceful and prosperous future for all the people of Afghanistan.³

By resolutions [2145 \(2014\)](#) and [2210 \(2015\)](#), respectively, the Council extended the mandate of the United Nations Assistance Mission in Afghanistan (UNAMA)⁴ twice for periods of one year each. Pursuant to resolution [2210 \(2015\)](#), the Tripartite Commission, comprising of representatives of the Government, the international donor community, UNAMA and affiliated agencies, funds and programmes, was established and embarked on examining the role, structure and activities of all United Nations entities in Afghanistan.

³ [S/PRST/2014/11](#).

⁴ For more information on the mandate of UNAMA, see part X, sect. II with regard to political and peacebuilding missions.

Meetings: The situation in Afghanistan

<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. 7139 17 March 2014	Report of the Secretary-General on the situation in Afghanistan and its implications for international peace and security (S/2014/163)	Draft resolution submitted by Australia (S/2014/184)	11 Member States ^a	Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Afghanistan and Head of the United Nations Assistance Mission in Afghanistan (UNAMA), Head of the Delegation of the European Union to the United Nations	All Council members and all invitees	Resolution 2145 (2014) (15-0-0)
S/PV. 7208 25 June 2014	Report of the Secretary-General on the situation in Afghanistan and its implications for international peace and security (S/2014/420)		11 Member States ^b	Special Representative of the Secretary-General and Head of UNAMA (via video-teleconference), Executive Director of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNDOC), Deputy Head of the Delegation of the European Union to the United Nations	All Council members and all invitees	S/PRST/2014/11 S/PRST/2014/12
S/PV. 7267 18 September 2014	Report of the Secretary-General on the situation in Afghanistan and its implications for international peace and security (S/2014/656)		12 Member States ^c	Special Representative of the Secretary-General and Head of UNAMA (via video-teleconference), Head of the Delegation of the European Union to the United Nations	All Council members and all invitees	

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S/PV.7338 12 December 2014		Draft resolution submitted by Australia (S/2014/883)	Afghanistan		Afghanistan	Resolution 2189 (2014) (15-0-0)
S/PV.7347 18 December 2014	Report of the Secretary-General on the situation in Afghanistan and its implications for international peace and security (S/2014/876)		13 Member States ^d	Special Representative of the Secretary-General and Head of UNAMA, Executive Director of UNDOC, Deputy Head of the Delegation of the European Union to the United Nations	All Council members ^e and all invitees	
S/PV.7403 16 March 2015	Report of the Secretary-General on the situation in Afghanistan and its implications for international peace and security (S/2015/151)	Draft resolution submitted by Spain (S/2015/178)	12 Member States ^f	Special Representative of the Secretary-General and Head of UNAMA, Deputy Head of the Delegation of the European Union to the United Nations	All Council members, 11 invitees under rule 37 ^g and all other invitees	Resolution 2210 (2015) (15-0-0)
S/PV.7467 22 June 2015	Report of the Secretary-General on the situation in Afghanistan and its implications for international peace and security (S/2015/422)		11 Member States ^h	Special Representative of the Secretary-General and Head of UNAMA, Head of the Delegation of the European Union to the United Nations	All Council members and all invitees	
S/PV.7526 17 September 2015	Report of the Secretary-General on the situation in Afghanistan and its implications for international peace and security (S/2015/684)		12 Member States ⁱ	Special Representative of the Secretary-General and Head of UNAMA, Executive Director of UNDOC, Head of the	All Council members and all invitees	

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S/PV.7591 21 December 2015	Letter dated 15 September 2015 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/2015/713) Report of the Secretary-General on the situation in Afghanistan and its implications for international peace and security (S/2015/942)		13 Member States ^j	Delegation of the European Union to the United Nations Special Representative of the Secretary-General and Head of UNAMA, Chargé d' Affaires of the Delegation of the European Union to the United Nations	All Council members and all invitees	

^a Afghanistan, Canada, Germany, India, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Italy, Japan, Pakistan, Slovakia, Sweden (on behalf of the Nordic countries) and Turkey.

^b Afghanistan, Canada, Germany, India, Italy, Japan, Kyrgyzstan (on behalf of the members of the Collective Security Treaty Organization), Latvia, Pakistan, Spain and Turkey.

^c Afghanistan, Canada, Germany, India, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Italy, Japan, Pakistan, Poland, Slovakia, Spain and Turkey.

^d Afghanistan, Canada, Finland, Germany, India, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Italy, Japan, Pakistan, Slovakia, Spain, Sweden and Turkey.

^e Chad, as President of the Security Council, was represented by its Minister for Foreign Affairs and African Integration.

^f Afghanistan, Australia, Canada, Germany, India, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Italy, Japan, Pakistan, Slovakia, Sweden and Turkey.

^g Although Canada was invited under rule 37, its representative did not make a statement.

^h Afghanistan, Australia, Canada, Germany, India, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Japan, Netherlands, Pakistan, Sweden and Turkey.

ⁱ Afghanistan, Australia, Germany, India, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Italy, Japan, Netherlands, Pakistan, Slovakia, Sweden and Turkey.

^j Afghanistan, Australia, Canada, Finland, Germany, India, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Italy, Japan, Netherlands, Pakistan, Sweden and Turkey.