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Introduction

The present publication constitutes the fifteenth 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 4892nd meeting, held on 12 January 2004, to the 5816th meeting, on 27 December 2007.

The *Repertoire* was mandated by the General Assembly in its resolution 686 (VII) of 5 December 1952, entitled “Ways and means for making the evidence of customary international law more readily available”. It is a guide to the proceedings of the Council and sets forth in a readily accessible form the practices and procedures to which the Council has had recourse. 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, its own provisional rules of procedure, and practice established through notes by the President of the Security Council, master of its own procedure.

In recording the Council’s practice, the headings under which the practices and procedures of the Council were presented in the original publication have been largely retained. Where necessary, however, adjustments have been made to better reflect the Council’s practice. For ease of reference, the studies contained in chapter VIII are organized according to region or thematic issue. This introduction contains a table indicating the membership of the Security Council during the period under review.

The agenda items considered by the Council during 2004-2007, and the meetings at which they were considered, are presented in a table hereunder according to region or thematic issue.

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Symbols of United Nations documents are composed of letters combined with figures. Security Council documents are indicated by a symbol such as S/2006/568. References to the verbatim records of meetings of the Council are given in the form S/PV.5710, meetings being numbered consecutively, starting with the first meeting in 1946. As in previous recent supplements, reference is made in this Supplement only to the provisional verbatim records of Security Council meetings, as the practice of publishing the meeting records in the *Official Records* has been discontinued.

The resolutions adopted by the Security Council and the statements by the President are published in the yearly volumes of *Resolutions and Decisions of the Security Council*. Resolutions are identified by a number followed by the year of adoption in parentheses, for example, resolution 1650 (2005). Since 1994, statements by the President have been identified by the prefix S/PRST/- followed by

four digits representing the year in which the statement was released. A new numbering sequence is established at the beginning of each calendar year.

Readers who wish to consult the full record of a meeting or the text of a Security Council document referred to in the *Repertoire* may do so on the official United Nations Documentation Centre website, www.un.org/en/documents/. Security Council documents can be accessed on the website by selecting “Official Document System (ODS)” or one of the direct links to specific categories of documents. The volumes of resolutions and decisions may be accessed by symbol (S/INF/59, for 2003/04; S/INF/60, for 2004/05; S/INF/61, for 2005/06; S/INF/62 for 2006/07 and S/INF/63 for 2007/08). The original *Repertoire* and the other supplements may be consulted at www.un.org/en/sc/repertoire.

Members of the Security Council, 2004-2007

<i>Member</i>	<i>2004</i>	<i>2005</i>	<i>2006</i>	<i>2007</i>
Algeria	•	•		
Angola	•			
Argentina		•	•	
Belgium				•
Benin	•	•		
Brazil	•	•		
Chile	•			
China (permanent member)	•	•	•	•
Congo			•	•
Denmark		•	•	
France (permanent member)	•	•	•	•
Germany	•			
Ghana			•	•
Greece		•	•	
Indonesia				•
Italy				•
Japan		•	•	
Pakistan	•			
Panama				•
Peru			•	•

<i>Member</i>	<i>2004</i>	<i>2005</i>	<i>2006</i>	<i>2007</i>
Philippines	•	•		
Qatar			•	•
Romania	•	•		
Russian Federation (permanent member)	•	•	•	•
Slovakia			•	•
South Africa				•
Spain	•			
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland (permanent member)	•	•	•	•
United Republic of Tanzania		•	•	
United States of America (permanent member)	•	•	•	•

Items considered by the Security Council at formal meetings, 2004-2007

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Africa

The situation concerning Western Sahara

9 meetings (4905, 4957, 5068, 5170, 5295, 5431, 5560, 5669, 5773)

The situation in Liberia

21 meetings (4925, 4981, 4991, 5036, 5105, 5208, 5263, 5304, 5336, 5389, 5406, 5454, 5468, 5487, 5542, 5602, 5652, 5668, 5699, 5745, 5810)

The situation in Somalia

26 meetings (4915, 5003, 5022, 5064, 5083 [held in Nairobi], 5135, 5142, 5227, 5280, 5302, 5387, 5435, 5486, 5535, 5575, 5579, 5611, 5614, 5633, 5671, 5695, 5707, 5720, 5732, 5805, 5812)

The situation concerning Rwanda

1 meeting (5650)

The situation in Burundi

21 meetings (4975, 5021, 5042, 5093, 5141, 5184, 5193, 5203, 5207, 5252, 5268, 5311, 5341, 5394, 5479, 5554, 5678, 5686, 5786, 5793, 5809)

The situation in Sierra Leone

13 meetings (4938, 5037, 5185, 5186, 5219, 5254, 5334, 5467, 5608, 5690, 5708, 5804, 5813)

The situation in the Great Lakes region

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The situation concerning the Democratic Republic of the Congo

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The situation in the Central African Republic

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Items relating to peace and security in Africa

The situation in Africa

5 meetings (5043, 5331, 5525, 5571, 5655)

Africa's food crisis as a threat to peace and security

1 meeting (5220)

Agenda item

Peace and security in Africa

1 meeting (5749)

The situation between Eritrea and Ethiopia

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The situation in Guinea-Bissau

6 meetings (4992, 5069, 5107, 5157, 5248, 5762)

The situation in Côte d'Ivoire

53 meetings (4909, 4918, 4959, 4977, 5018, 5072, 5078, 5103, 5118, 5152, 5159, 5169, 5173, 5194, 5213, 5221, 5253, 5278, 5279, 5281, 5283, 5288, 5314, 5318, 5327, 5350, 5354, 5366, 5378, 5399, 5400, 5426, 5427, 5428, 5442, 5451, 5491, 5505, 5524, 5555, 5561, 5591, 5592, 5606, 5617, 5651, 5676, 5700, 5711, 5712, 5716, 5765, 5772)

Items relating to West Africa

Cross-border issues in West Africa

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Peace consolidation in West Africa

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Decision of the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya to abandon its weapons of mass destruction programmes

1 meeting (4949)

Items relating to the Sudan

Letter dated 25 May 2004 from the Permanent Representative of the Sudan to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

1 meeting (4978)

Reports of the Secretary-General on the Sudan

68 meetings (4988, 5015, 5027, 5040, 5046, 5050, 5071, 5080-5082 [held in Nairobi], 5094, 5109, 5119, 5120, 5125, 5137, 5143, 5151, 5153, 5154, 5158, 5176, 5177, 5216, 5217, 5231, 5245, 5269, 5277, 5321, 5322, 5342, 5344, 5345, 5364, 5392, 5396, 5402, 5409, 5413, 5414, 5422, 5423, 5434, 5439, 5459, 5460, 5517, 5519, 5520, 5528, 5532, 5543, 5545, 5589, 5590, 5598, 5670, 5684, 5687, 5688, 5727, 5750, 5752, 5768, 5774, 5784, 5789)

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Items relating to the African Union

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The situation in Chad and the Sudan

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The situation in Chad, the Central African Republic and the subregion

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Americas

The question concerning Haiti

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Asia

The situation in Timor-Leste

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The situation in Afghanistan

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Letter dated 31 March 1998 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Papua New Guinea to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

3 meetings (4962, 5201, 5222)

The situation in Myanmar

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Letter dated 4 July 2006 from the Permanent Representative of Japan to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

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Letter dated 22 November 2006 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council

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The situation in Bosnia and Herzegovina

15 meetings (4920, 4997, 5001, 5075, 5085, 5147, 5306, 5307, 5412, 5563, 5567, 5675, 5713, 5780, 5782)

Security Council resolutions 1160 (1998), 1199 (1998), 1203 (1998), 1239 (1999) and 1244 (1999)

20 meetings (4910, 4928, 4942, 4960, 4967, 5017, 5089, 5130, 5188, 5289, 5290, 5373, 5470, 5485, 5522, 5531, 5588, 5640, 5654, 5811)

The situation in Georgia

20 meetings (4904, 4906, 4916, 4958, 5013, 5116, 5144, 5174, 5238, 5242, 5358, 5363, 5405, 5483, 5549, 5623, 5658, 5661, 5724, 5759)

Briefings by the Chairman-in-Office of the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe

4 meetings (4964, 5134, 5346, 5751)

Middle East

The situation in the Middle East

United Nations Disengagement Observer Force

8 meetings (4998, 5101, 5205, 5339, 5456, 5596, 5698, 5802)

United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon and developments in the Israel-Lebanon sector

19 meetings (4907, 5012, 5117, 5241, 5362, 5489, 5492, 5497, 5498, 5499, 5501, 5503, 5508, 5511, 5586, 5664, 5704, 5728, 5733)

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Security Council resolution 1559 (2004)

16 meetings (5028, 5058, 5122, 5160, 5172, 5175, 5197, 5212, 5320, 5352, 5417, 5418, 5440, 5559, 5691, 5799)

Security Council resolution 1595 (2005)

20 meetings (5122, 5292, 5297, 5323, 5329, 5388, 5401, 5458, 5461, 5539, 5569, 5597, 5642, 5648, 5685, 5694, 5719, 5747, 5790, 5800)

Report of the Secretary-General on the Middle East

1 meeting (5584)

The situation in the Middle East, including the Palestinian question

62 meetings (4895, 4912, 4927, 4929, 4934, 4945, 4951, 4972, 4974, 4995, 5002, 5019, 5039, 5049, 5051, 5060, 5077, 5102, 5111, 5126, 5128, 5136, 5149, 5166, 5181, 5206, 5230, 5250, 5270, 5287, 5312, 5313, 5337, 5361, 5365, 5381, 5404, 5411, 5419, 5443, 5472, 5481, 5488, 5493, 5515, 5530, 5552, 5564, 5565, 5568, 5624, 5629, 5638, 5667, 5683, 5701, 5723, 5736, 5746, 5767, 5788, 5815)

Items relating to Iraq

The situation between Iraq and Kuwait

19 meetings (4897, 4914, 4930, 4944, 4946, 4952, 4953, 4971, 4982, 4984, 4987, 5020, 5033, 5047, 5092, 5099, 5123, 5124, 5161)

The situation concerning Iraq

27 meetings (5189, 5190, 5204, 5214, 5247, 5256, 5266, 5267, 5300, 5301, 5325, 5371, 5386, 5444, 5463, 5464, 5510, 5523, 5574, 5583, 5639, 5681, 5693, 5710, 5729, 5763, 5808)

Thematic issues

Items relating to the International Criminal Tribunals

International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991;

International Criminal Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Genocide and Other Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens Responsible for Genocide and Other Such Violations Committed in the Territory of Neighbouring States between 1 January and 31 December 1994

10 meetings (4935, 4999, 5016, 5086, 5199, 5328, 5453, 5594, 5697, 5796)

International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991

11 meetings (5057, 5112, 5140, 5165, 5195, 5236, 5273, 5382, 5407, 5742, 5785)

International Criminal Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Genocide and Other Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens Responsible for Genocide and Other Such Violations Committed in the Territory of Neighbouring States between 1 January and 31 December 1994

4 meetings (5455, 5518, 5550, 5741)

Children and armed conflict

6 meetings (4898, 4948, 5129, 5235, 5494, 5573)

Threats to peace and security caused by international terrorist acts

41 meetings (4892, 4908, 4921, 4923, 4936, 4939, 4966, 4976, 5006, 5026, 5031, 5053, 5059, 5104, 5113, 5223, 5224, 5239, 5240, 5244, 5246, 5261, 5274, 5298, 5303, 5338, 5424, 5446, 5477, 5484, 5600, 5609, 5659, 5662, 5714, 5738, 5754, 5764, 5795, 5798, 5816)

Protection of civilians in armed conflict

10 meetings (4990, 5100, 5209, 5319, 5430, 5476, 5577, 5613, 5703, 5781)

Small arms

4 meetings (4896, 5127, 5390, 5709)

General issues relating to sanctions

3 meetings (5507, 5599, 5605)

Items relating to the maintenance of international peace and security

The maintenance of international peace and security: the role of the Security Council in humanitarian crises — challenges, lessons learned and the way ahead

1 meeting (5225)

The responsibility of the Security Council in the maintenance of international peace and security: HIV/AIDS and international peacekeeping operations

1 meeting (5228)

The maintenance of international peace and security: role of the Security Council in supporting security sector reform

1 meeting (5632)

Maintenance of international peace and security

1 meeting (5705)

Women and peace and security

5 meetings (5066, 5294, 5556, 5636, 5766)

Post-conflict national reconciliation: role of the United Nations

1 meeting (4903)

Items relating to business and civil society

The role of business in conflict prevention, peacekeeping and post-conflict peacebuilding

1 meeting (4943)

Role of civil society in post-conflict peacebuilding

1 meeting (4993)

The role of civil society in conflict prevention and the pacific settlement of disputes

1 meeting (5264)

Items relating to non-proliferation

Non-proliferation of weapons of mass destruction

5 meetings (4950, 4956, 5097, 5429, 5635)

Non-proliferation

8 meetings (5403, 5500, 5612, 5646, 5647, 5702, 5743, 5807)

Non-proliferation/Democratic People's Republic of Korea

2 meetings (5551, 5618)

Items relating to peacekeeping

United Nations peacekeeping operations

4 meetings (4970, 5191, 5376, 5379)

Strengthening cooperation with troop-contributing countries

Meeting of the Security Council with the troop-contributing countries to the United Nations Peacekeeping Force in Cyprus pursuant to resolution 1353 (2001), annex II, sections A and B

8 meetings (4983, 5054, 5198, 5316, 5447, 5582, 5689, 5794)

Meeting of the Security Council with the troop-contributing countries to the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force pursuant to resolution 1353 (2001), annex II, sections A and B

8 meetings (4996, 5098, 5200, 5330, 5452, 5587, 5692, 5797)

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Meeting of the Security Council with the troop-contributing countries to the United Nations Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara pursuant to resolution 1353 (2001), annex II, sections A and B

9 meetings (4902, 4955, 5062, 5167, 5291, 5420, 5553, 5665, 5770)

Meeting of the Security Council with the troop-contributing countries to the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon pursuant to resolution 1353 (2001), annex II, sections A and B

7 meetings (4901, 5008, 5115, 5233, 5355, 5495, 5731)

Meeting of the Security Council with the troop-contributing countries to the United Nations Observer Mission in Georgia pursuant to resolution 1353 (2001), annex II, sections A and B

9 meetings (4900, 5010, 5114, 5234, 5357, 5398, 5544, 5657, 5756)

Meeting of the Security Council with the troop-contributing countries to the United Nations Mission in Sierra Leone pursuant to resolution 1353 (2001), annex II, sections A and B

3 meetings (4932, 5035, 5333)

Meeting of the Security Council with the troop-contributing countries to the United Nations Organization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo pursuant to resolution 1353 (2001), annex II, sections A and B

7 meetings (5009, 5023, 5146, 5271, 5537, 5656, 5787)

Meeting of the Security Council with the troop-contributing countries to the United Nations Mission of Support in East Timor pursuant to resolution 1353 (2001), annex II, sections A and B

3 meetings (4963, 5074, 5179)

Meeting of the Security Council with the troop-contributing countries to the United Nations Mission in Ethiopia and Eritrea pursuant to resolution 1353 (2001), annex II, sections A and B

10 meetings (4922, 5029, 5138, 5257, 5286, 5383, 5433, 5536, 5620, 5722)

Meeting of the Security Council with the troop-contributing countries to the United Nations Mission in Liberia pursuant to resolution 1353 (2001), annex II, sections A and B

6 meetings (5034, 5258, 5395, 5534, 5643, 5737)

Meeting of the Security Council with the troop-contributing countries to the United Nations Operation in Côte d'Ivoire pursuant to resolution 1353 (2001), annex II, sections A and B

4 meetings (5150, 5349, 5585, 5715)

Meeting of the Security Council with the troop-contributing countries to the United Nations Stabilization Mission in Haiti pursuant to resolution 1353 (2001), annex II, sections A and B

6 meetings (5087, 5183, 5367, 5506, 5625, 5755)

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Meeting of the Security Council with the troop-contributing countries to the United Nations Operation in Burundi pursuant to resolution 1353 (2001), annex II, sections A and B

4 meetings (5182, 5310, 5475, 5604)

Meeting of the Security Council with the troop-contributing countries to the United Nations Mission in the Sudan pursuant to resolution 1353 (2001), annex II, sections A and B

5 meetings (5265, 5391, 5527, 5666, 5771)

Complex crises and United Nations response

1 meeting (4980)

Items relating to the role of regional and subregional organizations in the maintenance of international peace and security

Cooperation between the United Nations and regional organizations in stabilization processes

1 meeting (5007)

Cooperation between the United Nations and regional organizations in maintaining peace and security

2 meetings (5282, 5529)

Relationship between the United Nations and regional organizations, in particular the African Union, in the maintenance of international peace and security

1 meeting (5649)

The role of regional and subregional organizations in the maintenance of international peace and security

1 meeting (5776)

Civilian aspects of conflict management and peacebuilding

1 meeting (5041)

Items relating to the rule of law

Justice and the rule of law: the United Nations role

1 meeting (5052)

Strengthening international law: rule of law and maintenance of international peace and security

1 meeting (5774)

Post-conflict peacebuilding

4 meetings (5187, 5335, 5627, 5761)

Threats to international peace and security

1 meeting (5615)

Letter dated 5 April 2007 from the Permanent Representative of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

1 meeting (5663)

Security Council mission

21 meetings (4899, 4911, 5000, 5005, 5091, 5096, 5178, 5305, 5315, 5462, 5466, 5478, 5482, 5570, 5581, 5672, 5673, 5706, 5717, 5791, 5801)

Briefings

Briefing by the Chairman-in-Office of the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe

4 meetings (4964, 5134, 5346, 5751)

Briefing by the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees

2 meetings (4973, 5353)

Briefings by Chairmen of subsidiary bodies of the Security Council

11 meetings (5106, 5168, 5229, 5293, 5332, 5375, 5538, 5601, 5679, 5779, 5806)

Briefing by the Chairman of the African Union

2 meetings (5448, 5449)

Briefing by the President of the International Court of Justice

2 meetings (5557, 5775)

Briefing by the Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and Emergency Relief Coordinator

1 meeting (5792)

Other matters considered by the Security Council

Admission of new Members

2 meetings (5471, 5473)

Date of election to fill a vacancy in the International Court of Justice

1 meeting (5070)

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Election of a member of the International Court of Justice

1 meeting (5121)

Election of five members of the International Court of Justice

1 meeting (5299)

Consideration of the draft report of the Security Council to the General Assembly

4 meetings (5044, 5262, 5578, 5769)
