

Africa

1. The situation concerning Western Sahara

During the period under review, the Security Council held four meetings, including two closed meetings, and adopted two resolutions in connection with the situation concerning Western Sahara. By resolutions [2152 \(2014\)](#) and [2218 \(2015\)](#), the Council extended the mandate of the United Nations Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara (MINURSO)² for a period of one year each time.

² For more information on the mandate of MINURSO, see part X, sect. I, "Peacekeeping operations".

Meetings: the situation concerning Western Sahara

<i>Meeting record 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.7156 (closed) 16 April 2014				Special Representative of the Secretary-General and Head of the United Nations Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara		
S/PV.7162 29 April 2014	Report of the Secretary-General on the situation concerning Western Sahara (S/2014/258)	Draft resolution submitted by France, Russian Federation, Spain, United Kingdom, United States (S/2014/299)	Spain			Resolution 2152 (2014) 15-0-0
S/PV.7429 (closed) 16 April 2015				Assistant Secretary-General for Peacekeeping Operations		
S/PV.7435 28 April 2015	Report of the Secretary-General on the situation concerning Western Sahara (S/2015/246)	Draft resolution submitted by France, Spain, United Kingdom, United States (S/2015/285)			Nine Council members ^a	Resolution 2218 (2015) 15-0-0

^a Angola, China, France, Jordan, Malaysia, Spain, United Kingdom, United States and Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of).

2. The situation in Liberia

During the period under review, the Security Council held 14 meetings in connection with the situation in Liberia, including three closed meetings with troop- and police-contributing countries, and adopted six resolutions, all under Chapter VII of the Charter. The Council, *inter alia*, heard briefings by the Special Representative of the Secretary-General and Head of the United Nations Mission in Liberia (UNMIL), the Chair of the Liberia configuration of the Peacebuilding Commission and the Under-Secretary-General for Peacekeeping Operations.

During the period under review, the Council extended the mandate of UNMIL³ for periods of three months, nine months and one year, respectively.⁴ By resolution 2215 (2015), the Council authorized the

resumption of the drawdown of UNMIL, which had been suspended since September 2014 owing to the Ebola virus disease outbreak, and reaffirmed its expectation that the Government of Liberia would assume fully its complete security responsibilities from UNMIL no later than 30 June 2016. By resolution 2237 (2015), the Council decided to terminate the travel and financial measures imposed by resolutions 1521 (2003) and 1532 (2004), respectively. During the period under review, the mandate of the Panel of Experts was twice extended for 10 months.⁵

³ For more information on the mandate of UNMIL, see part X, sect. I, “Peacekeeping operations”.

⁴ Resolutions 2176 (2014), 2190 (2014) and 2239 (2015).

⁵ For more information on the sanctions measures concerning Liberia, see part VII, sect. III, “Measures not involving the use of armed force in accordance with Article 41 of the Charter”. For more information on the Committee established pursuant to resolution 1521 (2003) concerning Liberia and the mandate of the Panel of Experts, see part IX, sect. I.B.

Meetings: the situation in Liberia

<i>Meeting record 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.7145 20 March 2014	Twenty-seventh progress report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Mission in Liberia (UNMIL) (S/2014/123)			Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Liberia and Head of UNMIL, Chair of the Liberia configuration of the Peacebuilding Commission	Special Representative, Chair of the Liberia configuration	
S/PV.7258 (closed) (4 September 2014)				Under-Secretary-General for Peacekeeping Operations, Special Representative of the Secretary-General, Assistant Secretary-General for Field Support		
S/PV.7260 9 September 2014	Twenty-eighth progress report of the Secretary-General on UNMIL (S/2014/598)		Liberia	Special Representative of the Secretary-General, Chair of the Liberia configuration of the Peacebuilding Commission	All invitees	
	Letter dated 28 August 2014 from the					