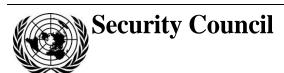
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## Official communique of the 9401st (closed) meeting of the Security Council

Held in private at Headquarters, New York, on Monday, 21 August 2023, at 3 p.m.

In accordance with rule 55 of the provisional rules of procedure of the Security Council, the following communiqué was issued through the Secretary-General in place of a verbatim record:

"At its 9401st meeting, held in private on 21 August 2023, the Security Council considered the item entitled "The situation in Middle East.

"The President invited the representatives of the Syrian Arab Republic and Türkiye to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

"The President of the Security Council invited Mr. Martin Griffiths, Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and Emergency Relief Coordinator, to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

"The members of the Council heard a briefing by Mr. Griffiths.

"The members of the Council, representatives of the Syrian Arab Republic, Türkiye and Mr. Griffiths had an exchange of views."



