

of the Government of South Africa to comply with the provisions of the present resolution, the Security Council will meet immediately to determine effective steps or measures in conformity with the relevant provisions of the Charter of the United Nations;

6. *Requests* the Secretary-General to follow closely the implementation of the present resolution and to

report thereon to the Security Council not later than 31 March 1968;

7. *Decides* to remain actively seized of the matter.

*Adopted unanimously at the 1387th meeting.*

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## COMPLAINT BY THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA CONCERNING THE U.S.S. *PUEBLO*

### Decision

At its 1389th meeting, on 27 January 1968, the Council decided to postpone until 29 January 1968 the consideration of the item entitled "Letter dated 25 January 1968 from the Permanent Representative of the United States of America addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/8360)"<sup>6</sup> in order to allow consultations among the members of the Council.

<sup>6</sup> *Ibid.*, Supplement for January, February and March 1968.

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## THE CYPRUS QUESTION<sup>7</sup>

### Decision

At its 1398th meeting, on 18 March 1968, the Council decided to invite the representatives of Cyprus, Turkey and Greece to participate, without vote, in the discussion of the item entitled "Letter dated 26 December 1963 from the Permanent Representative of Cyprus addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/5488):<sup>8</sup> report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Operation in Cyprus (S/8446)".<sup>9</sup>

<sup>7</sup> Resolutions or decisions on this question were also adopted in 1963, 1964, 1965, 1966 and 1967.

<sup>8</sup> See *Official Records of the Security Council, Eighteenth Year, Supplement for October, November and December 1963*.

<sup>9</sup> *Ibid.*, Twenty-third Year, Supplement for January, February and March 1968.

### Resolution 247 (1968)

of 18 March 1968

*The Security Council,*

*Noting* from the report of the Secretary-General of 9 March 1968 (S/8446)<sup>10</sup> that in the present circumstances the United Nations Peace-keeping Force in Cyprus is still needed if peace is to be maintained in the island,

*Noting* that the Government of Cyprus has agreed that in view of the prevailing conditions in the island it is necessary to continue the Force beyond 26 March 1968,

<sup>10</sup> *Ibid.*

*Noting*, from the observations in the report, the new conditions prevailing in the island,

1. *Reaffirms* its resolutions 186 (1964) of 4 March, 187 (1964) of 13 March, 192 (1964) of 20 June, 193 (1964) of 9 August, 194 (1964) of 25 September and 198 (1964) of 18 December 1964, 201 (1965) of 19 March, 206 (1965) of 15 June, 207 (1965) of 10 August and 219 (1965) of 17 December 1965, 220 (1966) of 16 March, 222 (1966) of 16 June and 231 (1966) of 15 December 1966, 238 (1967) of 19 June and 244 (1967) of 22 December 1967, and the consensus expressed by the President at the 1143rd meeting on 11 August 1964 and at the 1383rd meeting on 24 November 1967;

2. *Urges* the parties concerned to act with the utmost restraint and to continue determined co-operative efforts to achieve the objectives of the Security Council by availing themselves in a constructive manner of the present auspicious climate and opportunities;

3. *Extends* once more the stationing in Cyprus of the United Nations Peace-keeping Force, established under Security Council resolution 186 (1964), for a further period of three months ending 26 June 1968, in the expectation that by then sufficient progress towards a final solution will make possible a withdrawal or substantial reduction of the Force.

*Adopted unanimously at the 1398th meeting.*

### Decision

At its 1432nd meeting, on 18 June 1968, the Council decided to invite the representatives of Cyprus, Turkey and Greece to participate, without vote, in the discussion of the item entitled "Letter dated 26 December 1963 from the Permanent Representative of Cyprus addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/5488):<sup>11</sup> report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Operation in Cyprus (S/8622)".<sup>12</sup>

### Resolution 254 (1968)

of 18 June 1968

*The Security Council,*

*Noting* from the report of the Secretary-General of 11 June 1968 (S/8622)<sup>13</sup> that in the present circumstances the United Nations Peace-keeping Force in Cyprus is still needed if peace is to be maintained in the island,

*Noting* that the Government of Cyprus has agreed that in view of the prevailing conditions in the island

<sup>11</sup> *Ibid.*, Eighteenth Year, Supplement for October, November and December 1963.

<sup>12</sup> *Ibid.*, Twenty-third Year, Supplement for April, May and June 1968.

<sup>13</sup> *Ibid.*

it is necessary to continue the Force beyond 26 June 1968,

*Noting*, from the observations in the report, the encouraging recent developments in the island,

1. *Reaffirms* its resolutions 186 (1964) of 4 March, 187 (1964) of 13 March, 192 (1964) of 20 June, 193 (1964) of 9 August, 194 (1964) of 25 September and 198 (1964) of 18 December 1964, 201 (1965) of 19 March, 206 (1965) of 15 June, 207 (1965) of 10 August and 219 (1965) of 17 December 1965, 220 (1966) of 16 March, 222 (1966) of 16 June and 231 (1966) of 15 December 1966, 238 (1967) of 19 June and 244 (1967) of 22 December 1967, and 247 (1968) of 18 March 1968, and the consensus expressed by the President at the 1143rd meeting on 11 August 1964 and at the 1383rd meeting on 24 November 1967;

2. *Urges* the parties concerned to act with the utmost restraint and to continue determined co-operative efforts to achieve the objectives of the Security Council by availing themselves in a constructive manner of the present auspicious climate and opportunities;

3. *Extends* once more the stationing in Cyprus of the United Nations Peacekeeping Force, established under Security Council resolution 186 (1964), for a further period ending 15 December 1968, in the expectation that by then sufficient progress towards a final solution will make possible a withdrawal or substantial reduction of the Force.

*Adopted unanimously at the 1432nd meeting.*

### Decision

At its 1459th meeting, on 10 December 1968, the Council decided to invite the representatives of Cyprus, Turkey and Greece to participate, without vote, in the discussion of the item entitled "Letter dated 26 December 1963 from the Permanent Representative of Cyprus addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/5488):<sup>14</sup> report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Operation in Cyprus (S/8914)".<sup>15</sup>

### Resolution 261 (1968)

of 10 December 1968

*The Security Council,*

*Noting* from the report of the Secretary-General of 4 December 1968 (S/8914)<sup>16</sup> that in the present circumstances the United Nations Peace-keeping Force in Cyprus is still needed if peace is to be maintained in the island,

<sup>14</sup> *Ibid.*, Eighteenth Year, Supplement for October, November and December 1963.

<sup>15</sup> *Ibid.*, Twenty-third Year, Supplement for April, May and June 1968.

<sup>16</sup> *Ibid.*