(c) To request the Secretary-General to submit at the end of this period a report on the developments in the situation and the measures taken to implement resolution 338 (1973).

Adopted at the 2256th meeting by 14 votes to none.52

Decisions

At the same meeting, following the adoption of resolution 481 (1980), the President made the following statement on behalf of the members of the Council:

"In connexion with the adoption of the resolution on the renewal of the mandate of the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force, I have been authorized to make the following complementary statement on behalf of the Security Council regarding the resolution just adopted:

"'As is known, the report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force⁵¹ states, in paragraph 27, that, "Despite the present quiet in the Israel-Syria sector, the situation in the Middle East as a whole continues to be potentially dangerous and is likely to remain so unless and until a comprehensive settlement covering all aspects of the Middle East problem can be reached". This statement of the Secretary-General reflects the view of the Security Council." ¹⁵³

At its 2258th meeting, on 17 December 1980, the Council decided to invite the representatives of Israel and Lebanon to participate, without vote, in the discussion of the item entitled "The situation in the Middle East: report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon (S/14295)". 50

Resolution 483 (1980)

of 17 December 1980

The Security Council,

Recalling its resolutions 425 (1978), 426 (1978), 427 (1978), 434 (1978), 444 (1979), 450 (1979), 459 (1979), 467 (1980) and 474 (1980),

Having studied the report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon of 12 December 1980,⁵⁴

52 One member (China) did not participate in the voting.

53 Document S/14271, incorporated in the record of the 2256th meeting.

Noting the letter dated 15 December 1980 from the Permanent Representative of Lebanon to the Secretary-General, 55

Convinced that the present situation has serious consequences for peace and security in the Middle East.

Reaffirming its call for the strict respect for the territorial integrity, unity, sovereignty and political independence of Lebanon within its internationally recognized boundaries,

- 1. Takes note of the report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon:
- 2. Decides to renew the mandate of the Force for a period of six months, that is, until 19 June 1981, and reiterates its commitment to the full implementation of the mandate of the Force throughout its entire area of operation up to the internationally recognized boundaries, according to the terms of reference and guidelines as stated and confirmed in the appropriate Security Council resolutions;
- 3. Commends the performance of the Force and reiterates its terms of reference as set out in the report of the Secretary-General of 19 March 1978³¹ and approved by resolution 426 (1978), in particular that the Force must be enabled to function as an efficient military unit, that it must enjoy freedom of movement and communication and other facilities necessary for the performance of its tasks and that it must continue to be able to discharge its duties according to the abovementioned terms of reference, including the right of self-defence;
- 4. Expresses its support for the Lebanese Government in its efforts to strengthen its authority, both at the civilian and at the military level, in the zone of operation of the Force:
- 5. Commends the Secretary-General for his efforts to reactivate the Israel-Lebanon Mixed Armistice Commission, takes note of the preparatory meeting that was held on Monday, 1 December 1980, and calls on all parties to continue such efforts as are necessary for the total and unconditional implementation of the General Armistice Agreement;³²
- 6. Requests the Secretary-General to take the necessary measures to intensify discussions among all the parties concerned, so that the Force may complete its mandate, and to report periodically on the results of his efforts to the Security Council;
- 7. Reaffirms its determination, in the event of continuing obstruction of the mandate of the Force, to examine practical ways and means to secure the full implementation of resolution 425 (1978).

Adopted at the 2258th meeting by 12 votes to none, with 2 abstentions (German Democratic Republic, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics).56

³⁴ Official Records of the Security Council, Thirty-fifth Year, Supplement for October, November and December 1980, document S/14295.

⁵⁵ Ibid., document S/14296.

⁵⁶ One member (China) did not participate in the voting.