

dence, territorial integrity and non-alignment of the Republic of Cyprus, the exclusion of union in whole or in part with any other country and of any form of partition or secession and the establishment of a new constitutional arrangement for Cyprus that would ensure the well-being and security of the Greek Cypriot and Turkish Cypriot communities in a bi-communal and bi-zonal federation;

4. *Reaffirms further* that its position on the solution to the Cyprus problem is based on one State of Cyprus comprising two politically equal communities as defined by the Secretary-General in the eleventh paragraph of annex I to his report of 8 March 1990;¹¹⁸

5. *Calls upon* the parties to adhere fully to these principles and to negotiate within the framework of them without introducing concepts that are at variance with them;

6. *Reaffirms* that the Secretary-General's mission of good offices is with the two communities whose participation in the process is on an equal footing;

7. *Endorses* the Secretary-General's intention to resume discussions in early November with the two parties in Cyprus and Greece and Turkey to complete the set of ideas on an overall framework agreement;

8. *Considers* that convening a high-level international meeting chaired by the Secretary-General in which the two communities and Greece and Turkey would participate represents an effective mechanism for concluding an overall framework agreement on Cyprus;

9. *Requests* the leaders of the two communities and Greece and Turkey to cooperate fully with the Secretary-General and his representatives so that the high-level international meeting can be convened before the end of this year;

10. *Requests* the Secretary-General to report to the Security Council in November 1991 whether sufficient progress has been made to convene the high-level international meeting and, should conditions not be ripe, to convey to the Council the set of ideas as they will have evolved by that time with his assessment of the situation.

Adopted unanimously at the 3013th meeting.

Decisions

On 12 December 1991, following consultations of the Security Council, the President of the Council made the following statement on behalf of the members of the Council to the media, in connection with the item entitled "The situation in Cyprus":¹¹⁹

"In the light of the discussion at the informal consultations of members of the Security Council, it was concluded that the necessary agreement did not currently exist in the Council for a decision to be adopted on a change in the financing of the United Nations Peace-keeping Force in

Cyprus. The members of the Council agreed to keep this issue under urgent review."

At its 3022nd meeting, on 12 December 1991, the Council decided to invite the representatives of Canada, Cyprus, Greece and Turkey to participate, without vote, in the discussion of the item entitled "The situation in Cyprus: report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations operations in Cyprus (S/23263 and Add.1)".²⁷

At the same meeting, the Council also decided to extend an invitation to Mr. Osman Ertug under rule 39 of the provisional rules of procedure.

Resolution 723 (1991) of 12 December 1991

The Security Council,

Taking note of the report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations operation in Cyprus of 30 November and 12 December 1991,¹²⁰

Also taking note of the recommendation by the Secretary-General that the Security Council extend the stationing of the United Nations Peace-keeping Force in Cyprus for a further period of six months.

Noting that the Government of Cyprus has agreed that in view of the prevailing conditions in the island it is necessary to keep the Force in Cyprus beyond 15 December 1991,

Reaffirming the provisions of resolution 186 (1964) of 4 March 1964 and other relevant resolutions,

1. *Extends once more* the stationing in Cyprus of the United Nations Peace-keeping Force established under resolution 186 (1964) for a further period ending on 15 June 1992;

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General to continue his mission of good offices, to keep the Security Council informed of the progress made and to submit a report on the implementation of the present resolution by 31 May 1992;

3. *Calls upon* all the parties concerned to continue to cooperate with the Force on the basis of the present mandate.

Adopted unanimously at the 3022nd meeting.

Decisions

At its 3024th meeting, on 23 December 1991, the Council discussed the item entitled "The situation in Cyprus: report of the Secretary-General on his mission of good offices in Cyprus (S/23300)".²⁷

At the same meeting, the President of the Security Council made the following statement on behalf of the Council:¹²¹