

report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon (S/23452)".³

Resolution 734 (1992)
of 29 January 1992

The Security Council,

Recalling its resolutions 425 (1978) and 426 (1978) of 19 March 1978, 501 (1982) of 25 February 1982, 508 (1982) of 5 June 1982, 509 (1982) of 6 June 1982, and 520 (1982) of 17 September 1982, as well as all its resolutions on the situation in Lebanon,

Having studied the report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon of 21 January 1992,¹⁴³ and taking note of the observations expressed therein,

Recalling the addendum of 28 January 1991¹⁴⁴ to the Secretary-General's report of 22 January 1991,¹⁴⁵

Taking note of the letter dated 17 January 1992¹⁴⁶ from the Permanent Representative of Lebanon to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General,

Responding to the request of the Government of Lebanon,

1. *Decides* to extend the present mandate of the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon for a further interim period of six months, that is, until 31 July 1992;

2. *Approves* the overall objective of the Secretary-General, as set out in paragraph 33 of his report of 21 January 1992 on the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon,¹⁴³ aimed at promoting the greater effectiveness of the Force;

3. *Approves in particular* the recommendations summarized in paragraphs 59 (c) (i) and (ii) of the addendum of 28 January 1991¹⁴⁴ to the report of the Secretary-General of 22 January 1991;¹⁴⁵

4. *Invites* the Secretary-General to consider further, in consultation with the troop-contributing countries, how to achieve the overall objective referred to in paragraph 2 above, and to take action on the objectives in paragraphs 2 and 3 above;

5. *Reiterates* its strong support for the territorial integrity, sovereignty and independence of Lebanon within its internationally recognized boundaries;

6. *Re-emphasizes* the terms of reference and general guidelines of the Force as stated in the report of the Secretary-General of 19 March 1978,¹⁴⁷ approved by resolution 426 (1978), and calls upon all parties concerned to cooperate fully with the Force for the full implementation of its mandate;

7. *Reiterates* that the Force should fully implement its mandate as defined in resolutions 425 (1978) and 426 (1978) and all other relevant resolutions;

8. *Requests* the Secretary-General to continue consultations with the Government of Lebanon and other parties directly concerned with the implementation of the present resolution and to report to the Security Council thereon.

Adopted unanimously at the 3040th meeting

Decisions

At the same meeting, following the adoption of resolution 734 (1992), the President made the following statement:¹⁴⁸

"The members of the Security Council have noted with appreciation the report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon of 21 January 1992¹⁴³ submitted in conformity with Council resolution 701 (1991) of 31 July 1991.

"The members of the Council reaffirm their commitment to the full sovereignty, independence, territorial integrity and national unity of Lebanon within its internationally recognized boundaries. In this context, they assert that any State shall refrain from the threat or use of force against the territorial integrity or political independence of any State, or in any other manner inconsistent with the Purposes of the United Nations.

"As the Council extends the mandate of the Force for a further interim period on the basis of resolution 425 (1978) of 19 March 1978, the members of the Council again stress the need for the implementation of that resolution in all its aspects. They reiterate their full support for the Taif Agreement and commend the Lebanese Government for its successful efforts to deploy units of its army in the south of the country in full coordination with the Force. The members of the Council urge all the parties concerned to support the Force fully.

"The members of the Council express their concern over the continuing violence in southern Lebanon and urge all parties to exercise restraint.

"The members of the Council take this opportunity to express their appreciation for the continuing efforts of the Secretary-General and his staff in this regard and commend the Force's troops and troop-contributing countries for their sacrifices and commitment to the cause of international peace and security under difficult circumstances."

At its 3053rd meeting, on 19 February 1992, the Council discussed the item entitled "The situation in the Middle East: letter dated 17 February 1992 from the Permanent Representative of Lebanon to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/23604)".³