

At its 2706th meeting, on 19 September 1986, the Council decided to invite the representative of Israel to participate, without vote, in the discussion of the item entitled:

"The situation in the Middle East:

"(a) Special report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon (S/18348).¹⁷

"(b) Letter dated 18 September 1986 from the Permanent Representative of France to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/18353)".¹⁷

At its 2707th meeting, on 22 September 1986, the Council decided to invite the representatives of Lebanon and the Syrian Arab Republic to participate, without vote, in the discussion of the question.

At the same meeting, the Council also decided, at the request of the representative of the United Arab Emirates,¹⁹ to extend an invitation to Mr. Clovis Mak-soud under rule 39 of the provisional rules of procedure.

Resolution 587 (1986)

of 23 September 1986

The Security Council,

Recalling its resolutions 425 (1978) and 426 (1978), as well as its resolutions 511 (1982), 519 (1982) and 523 (1982) and all the resolutions relating to the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon,

Recalling the mandate entrusted to the Force by resolution 425 (1978) and the guidelines of the Force set forth in the report of the Secretary-General dated 19 March 1978¹⁸ and approved in resolution 426 (1978),

Further recalling its resolutions 508 (1982), 509 (1982) and 520 (1982), as well as all its other resolutions relating to the situation in Lebanon,

Solemnly reaffirming that it firmly supports the unity, territorial integrity, sovereignty and independence of Lebanon within its internationally recognized boundaries,

Deeply grieved over the tragic loss of human life and indignant at the harassment and attacks to which the soldiers of the Force are being subjected,

Recalling in this connection the statement made on 5 September 1986 by the President of the Council on its behalf,¹⁸

Expressing its concern at the new obstacles to the freedom of movement of the Force and at the threats to its security,

¹⁷ Document S/18358 incorporated in the record of the 2707th meeting.

Noting with regret that the Force, whose mandate has been renewed for the twenty-first time, has so far been prevented from fulfilling the task entrusted to it.

Recalling its resolutions 444 (1979), 450 (1979), 459 (1979), 474 (1980), 483 (1980) and 488 (1981), in which it expressed its determination, in the event of continuing obstruction of the mandate of the Force, to examine practical ways and means to secure full and unconditional implementation of resolution 425 (1978),

Emphasizing its conviction that this deterioration of the situation constitutes a challenge to its authority and its resolutions,

1. *Condemns in the strongest terms* the attacks committed against the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon;

2. *Expresses indignation* at the support which such criminal actions may receive;

3. *Pays homage* to the courage, spirit of discipline and composure of the soldiers of the Force;

4. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General prepared after the recent mission by his representative in the region,²⁰ particularly the paragraphs relating to the security of the Force and the withdrawal of Israeli military forces from southern Lebanon;

5. *Takes note* of the preliminary security measures decided on by the Secretary-General and requests him to take any further measures needed to enhance the security of the men of the Force in their peace mission;

6. *Urges* all the parties concerned to co-operate unreservedly with the Force in the fulfilment of its mandate.

7. *Again calls* for an end in southern Lebanon to any military presence which is not accepted by the Lebanese authorities;

8. *Requests* the Secretary-General to make the necessary arrangements for a deployment of the Force to the southern border of Lebanon, and solemnly calls on all the parties concerned to co-operate in the achievement of that objective;

9. *Requests* the Secretary-General to report to it within twenty-one days on the application of this resolution.

Adopted at the 2708th meeting by 14 votes to none, with 1 abstention (United States of America)

Decisions

At its 2719th meeting, on 31 October 1986, the Council proceeded with 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/18396)".²¹

²⁰ *Official Records of the Security Council, Forty-first Year, Supplement for July, August and September 1986*, document S/18348.

²¹ *See Official Records of the Security Council, Forty-first Year, Supplement for October, November and December 1986*.