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Chapter I

Introduction

1. By its resolution [78/291](#), the General Assembly welcomed the report of the Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations ([A/78/19](#)), decided that the Committee, in accordance with its mandate, would continue its efforts for a comprehensive review of the whole question of peacekeeping operations in all their aspects, review the implementation of its previous proposals and consider any new proposals so as to enhance the capacity of the United Nations to fulfil its responsibilities in that field, and requested the Committee to submit a report on its work to the Assembly at its seventy-ninth session.

Chapter II

Organizational matters

A. Opening and duration of the session¹

2. The Committee held its substantive session of 2025 at Headquarters from 17 February to 14 March 2025. It held four plenary meetings.

3. The session was opened by the Under-Secretary-General for General Assembly and Conference Management. At the 280th (opening) plenary meeting, on 18 February, the Vice-President of the General Assembly (Thailand) addressed the Committee on behalf of the President of the Assembly. The Assistant Secretary-General for Africa in the Departments of Political and Peacebuilding Affairs and Peace Operations also made a statement.

4. The Department of Peace Operations, the Department of Operational Support and the Department of Management Strategy, Policy and Compliance provided support to the Committee on substantive issues, while the Disarmament and Peace Affairs Branch of the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management served as the technical secretariat of the Committee.

B. Election of officers

5. *Chair:* At its 280th plenary meeting, the Committee was informed that the delegation of Nigeria had reaffirmed its interest in continuing to serve as Chair and would nominate its incoming Permanent Representative, once in place, for election to the position of Chair in due course.

6. The Committee elected the following officers by acclamation:

Vice-Chairs:

Francisco Tropepi (Argentina)
Michael Gort (Canada)
Takayuki Iriya (Japan)
Michal Miarka (Poland)

Rapporteur:

Mohamed Soliman (Egypt)

C. Agenda

7. At its 280th plenary meeting, the Committee adopted its provisional agenda ([A/AC.121/2025/L.1](#)).

D. Membership and organization of work

8. At its 280th plenary meeting, the Committee adopted its draft programme of work ([A/AC.121/2025/L.2](#)) and decided to establish a working group of the whole, to be chaired by Michael Gort (Canada), to consider the substance of the mandate entrusted to the Committee by the General Assembly.

9. At its 2025 session, the Committee comprised 157 members (see [A/AC.121/2025/INF/3](#); see also the annex to the present report).

¹ The Committee did not meet on 17 February in honour of Presidents' Day.

10. The list of documents for the session is contained in document [A/AC.121/2025/INF/2](#) and the list of participants, in document [A/AC.121/2025/INF/4](#).

E. Proceedings of the Committee

11. At its 280th to 282nd plenary meetings, on 18 and 19 February, the Committee held a general debate on a comprehensive review of the whole question of peacekeeping operations in all their aspects. The record of the Member States and observers who delivered statements in the general debate and in the exercise of the right of reply is available online.²

12. On 19 February, the Working Group of the Whole heard briefings by the Under-Secretary-General for Management Strategy, Policy and Compliance; the Assistant Secretary-General for Africa in the Departments of Political and Peacebuilding Affairs and Peace Operations; and the Assistant Secretary-General for Support Operations in the Department of Operational Support.

13. On the same day, the Working Group heard a briefing by the Assistant Secretary-General for the Middle East, Asia and the Pacific in the Departments of Political and Peacebuilding Affairs and Peace Operations.

14. The Working Group and its two sub-working groups met from 20 February to 12 March and on 14 March to consider the draft recommendations of the Committee for the session.

² See <https://espeakers.unmeetings.org/67a61499781c2fc948088bb007022025> and <https://journal.un.org/en/new-york/meeting/officials/4704875b-b7be-4807-802f-9aca17870fb2/2025-02-18>.

Chapter III

Consideration of the draft report of the Working Group of the Whole

15. At its 283rd plenary meeting, on 14 March, the Committee acknowledged that there was no agreement on the draft recommendations considered by the Working Group.

16. At the same meeting, the Committee decided to convene intersessional discussions in 2025, facilitated by the Chair of the Working Group, to consider its working methods in relation to its annual report.

Chapter IV

Adoption of the report to the General Assembly at its seventy-ninth session

17. At its 283rd plenary meeting, the Committee adopted its draft report to the General Assembly as introduced by the Rapporteur.
18. At the same meeting, statements were made by 21 delegations.³

³ See <https://journal.un.org/en/new-york/meeting/officials/ebacf816-e687-4c80-8c4b-6348d9e013ba/2025-03-14>.

Annex

Composition of the Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations

The Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations currently consists of the following 157 members: Afghanistan, Albania, Algeria, Angola, Argentina, Armenia, Australia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Bangladesh, Belarus, Belgium, Benin, Bhutan, Bolivia (Plurinational State of), Bosnia and Herzegovina, Botswana, Brazil, Brunei Darussalam, Bulgaria, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cambodia, Cameroon, Canada, Central African Republic, Chad, Chile, China, Colombia, Congo, Costa Rica, Côte d'Ivoire, Croatia, Cuba, Cyprus, Czechia, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Denmark, Djibouti, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Egypt, El Salvador, Eritrea, Estonia, Eswatini, Ethiopia, Fiji, Finland, France, Gabon, Gambia, Georgia, Germany, Ghana, Greece, Grenada, Guatemala, Guinea, Guyana, Haiti, Honduras, Hungary, Iceland, India, Indonesia, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Iraq, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Jamaica, Japan, Jordan, Kazakhstan, Kenya, Kuwait, Kyrgyzstan, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Latvia, Lebanon, Lesotho, Liberia, Libya, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Madagascar, Malawi, Malaysia, Mali, Malta, Mauritania, Mauritius, Mexico, Mongolia, Montenegro, Morocco, Mozambique, Myanmar, Namibia, Nepal, Netherlands (Kingdom of the), New Zealand, Nicaragua, Niger, Nigeria, North Macedonia, Norway, Pakistan, Palau, Papua New Guinea, Paraguay, Peru, Philippines, Poland, Portugal, Qatar, Republic of Korea, Republic of Moldova, Romania, Russian Federation, Rwanda, Samoa, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Serbia, Sierra Leone, Singapore, Slovakia, Slovenia, South Africa, Spain, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Sweden, Switzerland, Syrian Arab Republic, Tajikistan, Thailand, Timor-Leste, Togo, Tunisia, Türkiye, Uganda, Ukraine, United Arab Emirates, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United Republic of Tanzania, United States of America, Uruguay, Vanuatu, Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of), Viet Nam, Yemen, Zambia, Zimbabwe.

The following observers were represented: Holy See, African Union, European Union, International Criminal Police Organization, International Organization of la Francophonie.

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