Decision

At its 1551st meeting, on 5 September 1970, the Council decided to invite the representatives of Lebanon and Israel to participate, without vote, in the discussion of the item entitled "The situation in the Middle East: letter dated 5 September 1970 from the Chargé d'affaires ad interim of Lebanon to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/9925)".39

29 Ibid., Supplement for July, August and September 1970.

Resolution 285 (1970) of 5 September 1970

The Security Council

Demands the complete and immediate withdrawal of all Israeli armed forces from Lebanese territory.

> Adopted at the 1551st meeting by 14 votes to none, with 1 abstention (United States of America).

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Decision

At its 1543rd meeting, on 9 June 1970, the Council decided to invite the representatives of Cyprus, Turkey and Greece to participate, without vote, in the discussion of the item entitled "Letter dated 26 December 1963 from the Permanent Representative of Cyprus addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/5488):81 report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Operation in Cyprus (\$/9814)".82

Resolution 281 (1970) of 9 June 1970

The Security Council,

Noting from the report of the Secretary-General of 1 June 1970³⁸ that in the present circumstances the United Nations Peace-keeping Force in Cyprus is still needed if peace is to be maintained in the island,

Noting that the Government of Cyprus has agreed that in view of the prevailing conditions in the island it is necessary to continue the Force beyond 15 June 1970,

Noting also from the report the conditions prevailing in the island,

1. Reaffirms its resolutions 186 (1964) of 4 March, 187 (1964) of 13 March, 192 (1964) of 20 June, 193 (1964) of 9 August, 194 (1964) of 25 Sep-

30 Resolutions or decisions on this question were also adopted in 1963, 1964, 1965, 1966, 1967, 1968 and 1969.

81 See Official Records of the Security Council, Eighteenth Year, Supplement for October, November and December 1963.

82 Ibid., Twenty-fifth Year, Supplement for April, May and June 1970.

38 Ibid., document S/9814.

tember and 198 (1964) of 18 December 1964, 201 (1965) of 19 March, 206 (1965) of 15 June, 207 (1965) of 10 August and 219 (1965) of 17 December 1965, 220 (1966) of 16 March, 222 (1956) of 16 June and 231 (1966) of 15 December 1966, 238 (1967) of 19 June and 244 (1967) of 22 December 1967, 247 (1968) of 18 March, 254 (1968) of 18 June and 261 (1968) of 10 December 1968, and 266 (1969) of 10 June and 274 (1969) of 11 December 1969, and the consensus expressed by the President at the 1143rd meeting on 11 August 1964 and at the 1383rd meeting on 25 November 1967;

- 2. Urges the parties concerned to act with the utmost restraint and to continue determined cooperative efforts to achieve the objectives of the Security Council, by availing themselves in a constructive manner of the present auspicious climate and opportunities;
- 3. Extends once more the stationing in Cyprus of the United Nations Peace-keeping Force, established under Security Council resolution 186 (1964), for a further period ending 15 December 1970, in the expectation that by then sufficient progress towards a final solution will make possible a withdrawal or substantial reduction of the Force.

Adopted unanimously at the 1543rd meeting.

Decision

At its 1564th meeting, on 10 December 1970, the Council decided to invite the representatives of Cyprus, Turkey and Greece to participate, without vote, in the discussion of the item entitled "Letter dated 26 December 1963 from the Permanent Representative of Cyprus addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/5488):84 report of the Secretary General on

⁸⁴ Ibid., Eighteenth Year, Supplement for October, November and December 1963.