Summary statement by the Secretary-General on matters of which the Security Council is seized and on the stage reached in their consideration

1. Pursuant to rule 11 of the provisional rules of procedure of the Security Council, the Secretary-General wishes to submit the list of items of which the Security Council is currently seized. The last full summary statement (S/2007/10) was issued on 9 February 2007. The last weekly addendum (S/2007/10/Add.51) covered developments up to 29 December 2007.

2. The following list sets out the items of which the Security Council is currently seized. Pursuant to the note by the President of the Security Council dated 19 December 2007 (S/2007/749), the list indicates the date on which each item was first taken up by the Council at a formal meeting, and the date of the most recent formal Council meeting held on that item.

   2. The India-Pakistan question¹ (6 January 1948; 5 November 1965).
   3. The Hyderabad question¹ (16 September 1948; 24 May 1949).
   7. The situation in the Middle East (18 July 1960; 14 December 2007).
   8. The situation in the India/Pakistan subcontinent¹ (4 December 1971; 27 December 1971).
   9. Letter dated 3 December 1971 from the Permanent Representatives of Algeria, Iraq, the Libyan Arab Republic and the People’s Democratic

¹ Subject to deletion in 2007 and retained pursuant to a request made by a Member State.
Republic of Yemen to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council (9 December 1971; 9 December 1971).


12. The situation in Cyprus (16 July 1974; 14 December 2007).

13. The situation concerning Western Sahara (20 October 1975; 31 October 2007).


15. The Middle East problem, including the Palestinian question (12 January 1976; 11 October 1985).


17. The question of the exercise by the Palestinian people of its inalienable rights (9 June 1976; 30 April 1980).


Letter dated 15 April 1986 from the Chargé d’affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Burkina Faso to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council;

Letter dated 15 April 1986 from the Chargé d’affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of the Syrian Arab Republic to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council;

Letter dated 15 April 1986 from the Permanent Representative of Oman to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council (15 April 1986; 24 April 1986).


27. The situation in Bosnia and Herzegovina (9 September 1992; 21 November 2007).
30. The situation concerning Rwanda (12 March 1993; 28 March 2007)
33. The situation in Croatia (2 September 1993; 12 December 2002).
38. The situation in the Great Lakes region (1 November 1996; 21 November 2007).
40. The situation in the Central African Republic (6 August 1997; 22 November 2006).
42. The situation between Eritrea and Ethiopia (26 June 1998; 13 November 2007).
45. The situation in Guinea-Bissau (6 November 1998; 19 October 2007).

47. Small arms (24 September 1999; 29 June 2007).


50. General issues relating to sanctions (17 April 2000; 21 December 2006).


52. The situation in the Middle East, including the Palestinian question (3 October 2000; 21 December 2007).


54. Briefing by the President of the International Court of Justice (31 October 2000; 2 November 2007).


57. Meeting of the Security Council with the troop-contributing countries pursuant to resolution 1353 (2001), annex II, sections A and B\(^2\) (10 September 2001; 24 July 2007).

58. Threats to international peace and security caused by terrorist acts (12 September 2001; 27 December 2007).


60. Food aid in the context of conflict settlement: Afghanistan and other crisis areas (4 April 2002; 4 April 2002).


63. Letter dated 29 November 2002 from the Permanent Representative of Chad to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council (9 December 2002; 9 December 2002).

\(^2\) As from 1 January 2008, all items for meetings of the Security Council with the troop-contributing countries to specific missions pursuant to resolution 1353 (2001), annex II, sections A and B, were subsumed under the present item.
64. The situation in Côte d’Ivoire (20 December 2002; 29 October 2007).


68. Response to the humanitarian situation in Iraq (22 May 2003; 22 May 2003).


71. Letter dated 5 October 2003 from the Permanent Representative of the Syrian Arab Republic to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/2003/939);


73. The importance of mine action for peacekeeping operations (13 November 2003; 19 November 2003).


75. Briefings by Chairmen of subsidiary bodies of the Security Council\(^3\) (18 December 2002; 17 December 2007).


79. Decision of the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya to abandon its weapons of mass destruction programmes (22 April 2004; 22 April 2004).

80. Non-proliferation of weapons of mass destruction (22 April 2004; 23 February 2007).

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\(^3\) As from the 5332nd meeting, held on 19 December 2005, earlier formulations of this item were subsumed under the present item.


84. Reports of the Secretary-General on the Sudan (11 June 2004; 5 December 2007).


86. Civilian aspects of conflict management and peacebuilding (22 September 2004; 22 September 2004).


89. The situation concerning Iraq (31 May 2005; 18 December 2007).


95. The situation in Chad and the Sudan (25 April 2006; 16 January 2007).

96. Briefing by the Chairman of the African Union (31 May 2006; 31 May 2006).


\(^4\) As from the 4970th meeting, held on 17 May 2004, the items entitled “Security Council Working Group on Peacekeeping Operations” and “United Nations peacekeeping” were subsumed under the present item.
100. The situation in Myanmar (15 September 2006; 13 November 2007).
102. Letter dated 22 November 2006 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/2006/920) (1 December 2006; 23 January 2007).
106. The situation in Chad, the Central African Republic and the subregion (27 August 2007; 25 September 2007).
108. The role of regional and subregional organizations in the maintenance of international peace and security6 (6 November 2007; 6 November 2007).
109. Briefing by the Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and Emergency Relief Coordinator7 (6 December 2007; 6 December 2007).

3. As the present summary statement is the first to be issued in January 2008, it identifies, pursuant to the procedure set out in the note by the President of the Security Council dated 19 July 2006 (S/2006/507),8 items which, as at 1 January 2008, are subject to deletion for having not been considered by the Council at a formal meeting during the preceding five-year period of 2003-2007. These are, of the above list, items 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 9, 10, 11, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 29, 32, 33, 60, 61 and 63.

4. If a State Member of the United Nations notifies the Secretary-General by 29 February 2008 that it wishes an item subject to deletion to remain on the list, that

5 As from the 5749th meeting, held on 25 September 2007, the item entitled “The situation in Africa” was subsumed under the present item.
6 As of the 5776th meeting, held on 6 November 2007, the items entitled “The Security Council and regional organizations: facing the new challenges to international peace and security”, “Cooperation between the United Nations and regional organizations in stabilization processes”, “Cooperation between the United Nations and regional organizations in maintaining international peace and security” and “Relationship between the United Nations and regional organizations, in particular the African Union, in the maintenance of international peace and security” were subsumed under the present item.
7 As from the 5792nd meeting, held on 6 December 2007, the item entitled “Humanitarian situation in the Great Lakes region and the Horn of Africa” was subsumed under the present item.
8 The procedure was initially set out in the note by the President of the Security Council of 29 August 1996 (S/1996/704).
item shall be retained on the list of matters of which the Security Council is seized for one year. All items subject to deletion for which no request to retain has been received by 29 February 2008 shall be deleted.

5. During the year 2007, the following item was taken up by the Security Council at a single meeting, at which the Security Council also concluded its consideration of that item:

   Consideration of the draft report of the Security Council to the General Assembly (5769th meeting, 25 October 2007).

6. During years prior to 2007, the following items were taken up by the Security Council at one or two meetings, at which the Security Council also concluded its consideration of the items:


   Security Council meetings in Nairobi (5063rd meeting, 26 October 2004).

   Briefings by the Minister for Foreign Affairs and the Minister of Defence of Uganda (5415th and 5416th meetings, 19 April 2006).

7. The following items are items which were identified in document S/2007/10 as subject to deletion in the year 2007 and which, in the absence of a request to retain, have been deleted from the list of matters of which the Security Council is seized, in accordance with the procedure set out in document S/2006/507 (the item numbers correspond to the list contained in paragraph 10 of document S/2007/10): 33, 57, 63, 73, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 82, 86, 87, 89 and 95.

8. Pursuant to the note by the President of the Security Council dated 19 December 2007 (S/2007/749), the first summary statement of each month shall contain a full, updated list of items of which the Security Council is seized. Accordingly, the next full, updated list of items of which the Security Council is seized will be contained in the first summary statement issued during February 2008. In intervening weeks, in the interest of economy, the Secretary-General, in fulfilment of his responsibility under rule 11 of the provisional rules of procedure of the Security Council, will issue a weekly addendum to the summary statement listing only those items on which further action was taken by the Council during the previous week or indicating that there was no change during that period.

9. Pursuant to the note by the President of the Security Council dated 19 December 2007 (S/2007/749), the first summary statement issued during the month of April 2008 will confirm those items identified in paragraph 3 above as subject to deletion which have been retained for one year at the request of one or more Member States and will also confirm those items identified in paragraph 3 which, absent such a request, have been deleted from the list.

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9 A request dated 22 October 2007 by a Member State for the retention of items 2, 3 and 8 in the 2008 summary statement has been received by the Secretariat.