

At the same meeting, the President read out the following statement:

“The President of the Security Council and the members of the Council, after hearing the report of the Secretary-General,²⁶ express their deep concern at the extent of the loss of life and the scale of the destruction caused by the deplorable events that have been taking place for several days in Lebanon.

“They launch an urgent appeal for an immediate end to all armed attacks and for the greatest restraint so that peace and quiet may be established in Lebanon and a just and lasting peace in the Middle East as a whole.”²⁷

At its 2293rd meeting, on 21 July 1981, the Council decided to invite the representatives of Democratic Yemen, Egypt, Mauritania, Saudi Arabia, the Syrian Arab Republic and Yemen to participate, without vote, in the discussion of the question.

Resolution 490 (1981)

of 21 July 1981

The Security Council,

Reaffirming the urgent appeal made by the President and the members of the Security Council on 17 July 1981,²⁷ which reads as follows:

“The President of the Security Council and the members of the Council, after hearing the report of the Secretary-General,²⁶ express their deep concern at the extent of the loss of life and the scale of the destruction caused by the deplorable events that have been taking place for several days in Lebanon.

“They launch an urgent appeal for an immediate end to all armed attacks and for the greatest restraint so that peace and quiet may be established in Lebanon and a just and lasting peace in the Middle East as a whole.”

Taking note of the report of the Secretary-General in this respect,

1. *Calls* for an immediate cessation of all armed attacks;
2. *Reaffirms* its commitment to the sovereignty, territorial integrity and independence of Lebanon within its internationally recognized boundaries;
3. *Requests* the Secretary-General to report back to the Security Council on the implementation of the present resolution as soon as possible and not later than forty-eight hours from its adoption.

Adopted unanimously at the 2293rd meeting.

Decision

At its 2311th meeting, on 23 November 1981, the Council proceeded with the discussion of the item entitled

²⁶ *Official Records of the Security Council, Thirty-sixth Year, 2292nd meeting.*

²⁷ Document S/14599, incorporated in the record of the 2292nd meeting.

“The situation in the Middle East: report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force (S/14759)”.²⁸

Resolution 493 (1981)

of 23 November 1981

The Security Council,

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force,²⁸

Decides:

(a) To call upon the parties concerned to implement immediately Security Council resolution 338 (1973);

(b) To renew the mandate of the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force for another period of six months, that is, until 31 May 1982;

(c) To request the Secretary-General to submit at the end of this period a report on the developments in the situation and the measures taken to implement resolution 338 (1973).

*Adopted at the 2311th meeting by 14 votes to none.*³⁰

Decisions

At the same meeting, following the adoption of resolution 493 (1981), the President made the following statement on behalf of the members of the Council:

“In connection with the adoption of the resolution on the renewal of the mandate of the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force, I have been authorized to make the following complementary statement on behalf of the Security Council regarding the resolution just adopted:

“As is known, the report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force” states, in paragraph 27, that “despite the present quiet in the Israel-Syria sector, the situation in the Middle East as a whole continues to be potentially dangerous and is likely to remain so unless and until a comprehensive settlement covering all aspects of the Middle East problem can be reached”. This statement of the Secretary-General reflects the view of the Security Council.”³¹

At its 2316th meeting, on 16 December 1981, the Council decided to invite the representatives of Cuba, Egypt, Israel, Kuwait, Lebanon, Saudi Arabia, the Syrian Arab Republic, Turkey and Viet Nam to participate, without vote, in the discussion of the item entitled “The situation in the occupied Arab territories: letter dated 14 December 1981 from the Permanent Representative of the Syrian Arab

²⁸ See *Official Records of the Security Council, Thirty-sixth Year, Supplement for October, November and December 1981.*

²⁹ *Ibid.*, document S/14759.

³⁰ One member (China) did not participate in the voting.

³¹ Document S/14764, incorporated in the record of the 2311th meeting.