

**RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED AND DECISIONS TAKEN BY THE SECURITY COUNCIL
IN 1972**

***Part I. Questions considered by the Security Council under its responsibility for
the maintenance of international peace and security***

**CONSIDERATION OF QUESTIONS RELATING TO AFRICA OF WHICH THE SECURITY COUNCIL
IS CURRENTLY SEIZED AND IMPLEMENTATION OF THE COUNCIL'S RELEVANT RESO-
LUTIONS**

**A. *Request of the Organization of African Unity concerning the holding of meetings of the Security
Council in an African capital (General Assembly resolution 2863 (XXVI), paragraph 2)***

Decisions

At its 1625 meeting, on 11 January 1972, the Council decided to invite the representative of Saudi Arabia to participate, without vote, in the discussion of the item entitled "Request of the Organization of African Unity concerning the holding of meetings of the Security Council in an African capital (General Assembly resolution 2863 (XXVI), paragraph 2: letter dated 29 December 1971 from the Secretary-General to the President of the Security Council (S/10480)".¹

At the same meeting, the Council decided:

(a) To accede in principle to the request of the Organization of African Unity to hold meetings in an African capital early in 1972;

(b) To set aside the period 20 January to 20 February 1972 as the period within which meetings of the Council in Africa should take place;

(c) To establish a Security Council Committee on Council Meetings away from Headquarters composed

of all the members of the Security Council to study the question of the convening of Council meetings in an African capital in all its aspects—technical, administrative, financial, legal, political and others. The Council further agreed that the Committee, in carrying out its tasks should endeavour to draft general guidelines which could be applied in all similar situations which might arise in the future in connexion with Article 28, paragraph 3, of the Charter of the United Nations.

**Resolution 308 (1972)
of 19 January 1972**

The Security Council,

Having considered, at the invitation of the General Assembly, the request of the Organization of African Unity concerning the holding of meetings of the Security Council in an African capital (General Assembly resolution 2863 (XXVI), paragraph 2),

Recalling the decisions taken at its 1625th meeting on 11 January 1972,

¹ Mimeographed; for the text of General Assembly resolution 2863 (XXVI), see *Official Records of the General Assembly, Twenty-sixth Session, Supplement No. 29*.

Recalling in particular the decision to accede in principle to the request of the Organization of African Unity,

Taking note with gratitude of the offers by the Governments of Ethiopia, Guinea, Senegal and Zambia to act as hosts to the Security Council in their respective capitals,

Having considered the report of the Committee on Council Meetings away from Headquarters,²

Taking note in particular of the statements concerning cost estimates reproduced in annex I of the Committee's report,

Bearing in mind the recommendations submitted by the Committee in chapter VI of its report,

1. Decides to hold meetings in Addis Ababa, beginning on Friday, 28 January, and ending no later

² Official Records of the Security Council, Twenty-seventh Year, Supplement for January, February and March 1972, document S/10514.

B. Decisions and resolutions adopted at the 1627th to 1639th meetings of the Security Council held in Addis Ababa from 28 January through 4 February 1972

Decisions

At its 1627th meeting, on 28 January 1972, the Council heard statements by His Imperial Majesty Haile Selassie, Emperor of Ethiopia, and His Excellency Moktar Ould Daddah, President of the Islamic Republic of Mauritania and Chairman of the eighth session of the Assembly of Heads of State and Government of the Organization of African Unity.

At its 1628th meeting, on 28 January 1972, the Council decided to invite the representatives of Cameroon, the Congo, Egypt, Equatorial Guinea, Ethiopia, Gabon, Ghana, Kenya, Liberia, Malawi, Mauritania, Mauritius, Morocco, Nigeria, Senegal, Tunisia, Uganda, the United Republic of Tanzania, Zaire and Zambia to participate, without vote, in the discussion of the item entitled "Consideration of questions relating to Africa of which the Security Council is currently seized and implementation of the Council's relevant resolutions".

At the same meeting, in view of the decisions taken by three United Nations bodies to be represented at the Security Council meetings in Africa,⁴ the Council decided to extend the appropriate invitations to the representative of the Special Committee on *Apartheid*, the representative of Trinidad and Tobago; to the Chairman of the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and

⁴ See Official Records of the Security Council, Twenty-seventh Year, Supplement for January, February and March 1972, document S/10600.

than Friday, 4 February 1972, devoted to the item entitled "Consideration of questions relating to Africa of which the Security Council is currently seized and implementation of the Council's relevant resolutions";

2. Expresses its gratitude to the Government of Ethiopia for its stated readiness to act as host to the Security Council meetings and to provide certain facilities without cost to the United Nations;

3. Requests the Secretary-General to enter into immediate negotiations with the Government of Ethiopia with a view to concluding a conference agreement along the lines set out in annex II of the Committee's report.

Adopted at the 1626th meeting.⁸

³ In the absence of any objection, the President stated that the draft resolution was adopted unanimously.

Peoples, the representative of the United Republic of Tanzania; and to the President of the United Nations Council for Namibia, the representative of Pakistan.

At its 1630th meeting, on 31 January 1972, the Council decided to invite the representatives of Algeria, Burundi and the Libyan Arab Republic to participate, without vote, in the discussion of the question.

At the same meeting, the Council decided, in principle, at the request of the representatives of Guinea, Somalia and the Sudan⁵ to extend an invitation, under rule 39 of the provisional rules of procedure of the Security Council, to the following persons:

Mr. Mohamed Fouad El-Bedewi
Mr. Amílcar Cabral
Mr. M. Luvualo
Mr. M. dos Santos
Mr. Peter Mueshahange
Mr. Richard Hove⁶
Mr. Portlako Leballo
Mr. Alfred Nzo
Mr. George Silundika
Mr. Abdul Minty
Mr. Diallo Telli

⁵ *Ibid.*, document S/10602/Rev.2.

⁶ Instead of Mr. Hove, Mr. M. K. H. Hamadziripi made a statement to the Council, at its 1633rd meeting, with the consent of the Council.