Meeting record and date	Sub-item	Other documents	Rule 37 invitations	Rule 39 and other invitations	Speakers	Decision and vote (for- against- abstaining)
<mark>S/PV.7693</mark> 16 May 2016	Report of the Secretary- General on UNMIK (S/2016/407)		Serbia ^a	Special Representative of the Secretary-General, Ms. Vlora Çitaku	All Council members, all invitees	
S/PV.7760 25 August 2016	Report of the Secretary- General on UNMIK (S/2016/666)		Serbia ^a	Special Representative of the Secretary-General, ^b Ms. Vlora Çitaku	All Council members, all invitees	
S/PV.7811 16 November 2016	Report of the Secretary- General on UNMIK (\$/2016/901)		Serbia ^a	Special Representative of the Secretary-General, ^b Ms. Vlora Çitaku	All Council members, all invitees	
<mark>S/PV.7891</mark> 27 February 2017	Report of the Secretary- General on UNMIK (S/2017/95/Rev.1)		Serbia ^c	Special Representative of the Secretary-General, Ms. Vlora Çitaku	All Council members, all invitees	
S/PV.7940 16 May 2017	Report of the Secretary- General on UNMIK (\$/2017/387)		Serbia ^d	Special Representative of the Secretary-General, Ms. Vlora Çitaku	All Council members, all invitees	
S/PV.8025 16 August 2017	Report of the Secretary- General on UNMIK (\$/2017/640)		Serbia ^a	Special Representative of the Secretary-General, ^b Ms. Vlora Çitaku	All Council members, all invitees	
<mark>S/PV.8100</mark> 14 November 2017	Report of the Secretary- General on UNMIK (S/2017/911)		Serbia ^a	Special Representative of the Secretary-General, Ms. Vlora Çitaku	All Council members, all invitees	

^a Serbia was represented by its First Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs.

^b The Special Representative of the Secretary-General participated in the meeting via videoconference from Pristina.

^c Serbia was represented by its President.

^d Serbia was represented by its Minister of Justice.

23. Letter dated 28 February 2014 from the Permanent Representative of Ukraine to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council (\$/2014/136)

During the period under review, the Security Council held two meetings in connection with the item entitled "Letter dated 28 February 2014 from the Permanent Representative of Ukraine to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/2014/136)". More information on the meetings, including on participants and speakers, is given in the table below.²⁵⁴

In 2016 and 2017, as in previous periods, the Council considered the item mostly through briefings.

The Council heard briefings by the Assistant Secretary-General for Political Affairs, the Under-Secretary-General for Political Affairs, the Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and Emergency Relief Coordinator and representatives of the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE). The discussions of the Council were focused primarily on the implementation of the Minsk agreements and the overall security situation in eastern Ukraine.²⁵⁵

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²⁵⁴ During the previous biennium, the Council held 24 meetings under the item. For more information, see *Repertoire, Supplement 2014–2015*, part I, sect. 21, "Items relating to Ukraine".

²⁵⁵ On 31 January 2017, the Council issued a statement to the press on the deterioration of the situation in the Donetsk region.

Meetings: letter dated 28 February 2014 from the Permanent Representative of Ukraine to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council (\$/2014/136)

Meeting record and date	Sub-item	Other documents	Rule 37 invitations	Rule 39 and other invitations	Speakers	Decision and vote (for- against- abstaining)
S/PV.7683 28 April 2016				Assistant Secretary-General for Political Affairs, Chief Monitor of the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE) Special Monitoring Mission to Ukraine, Special Representative of the OSCE Chairperson-in-Office in Ukraine and in the Trilateral Contact Group	All Council members, ^a all invitees ^b	
S/PV.7876 2 February 2017				Under-Secretary-General for Political Affairs, Chief Monitor of the OSCE Special Monitoring Mission, Under-Secretary- General for Humanitarian Affairs and Emergency Relief Coordinator	All Council members, all invitees ^c	

^{*a*} Ukraine was represented by its Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs and Chief of Staff of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

^b The Chief Monitor of the OSCE Special Monitoring Mission to Ukraine and the Special Representative of the OSCE Chairperson-

in-Office in Ukraine and in the Trilateral Contact Group participated in the meeting via videoconference from Kyiv.

^c The Chief Monitor of the OSCE Special Monitoring Mission to Ukraine participated in the meeting via videoconference from Kyiv.

Middle East

24. The situation in the Middle East

During the period under review, the Security Council held 78 open meetings, including one highlevel meeting,²⁵⁶ in connection with the item entitled "The situation in the Middle East". Under the item, the Council adopted 15 resolutions and issued four presidential statements. Nine draft resolutions on a broad range of Security Council actions, proposed in relation to the situation in the Syrian Arab Republic, were not adopted owing to the negative vote of one or more permanent members of the Council. In addition, the Council held six meetings, three in 2016 and three in 2017, with countries contributing troops and police to the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force (UNDOF) and the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon (UNIFIL), pursuant to resolution 1353 (2001).²⁵⁷ More information on meetings, including on participants, speakers and outcomes, is given in the tables below, which cover the Syrian Arab Republic, Yemen, UNDOF and UNIFIL.

In 2016–2017, in connection with the item the Council considered the conflict in the Syrian Arab Republic, the conflict in Yemen, the mandate of UNDOF and the mandate of UNIFIL. The Council renewed the mandate of UNDOF four times for periods of six months each, the last until 30 June 2018.²⁵⁸ The Council also renewed the mandate of UNIFIL twice for periods of one year each, the last until 31 August 2018.²⁵⁹

Discussions in the Council relating to the conflict in the Syrian Arab Republic focused on three defined aspects: the political process to end the conflict; the proliferation and use of chemical weapons; and the humanitarian situation in the country. In parallel to the Council's involvement, the General Assembly considered aspects of the conflict in the Syrian Arab Republic under a number of items on its agenda. In

²⁵⁶ See S/PV.7774. For more information on the format of meetings, see part II, sect. I.

²⁵⁷ Held under the item entitled "Meeting of the Security Council with the troop-and police-contributing countries pursuant to resolution 1353 (2001), annex II, sections A and B". For UNDOF, see S/PV.7720 (21 June 2016); S/PV.7835 (13 December 2016); S/PV.7972 (15 June 2017); and S/PV.8131 (12 December 2017); and for UNIFIL, see S/PV.7756 (22 August 2016); and S/PV.8023 (10 August 2017).

²⁵⁸ Resolutions 2294 (2016), 2330 (2016), 2361 (2017) and 2394 (2017), para. 11. For more information on the mandate of UNDOF, see part X, sect. I, "Peacekeeping operations".

 ²⁵⁹ Resolutions 2305 (2016) and 2373 (2017), para. 1. For more information on the mandate of UNIFIL, see part X, sect. I, "Peacekeeping operations".