22 February 2016, as envisaged in the concept note, the President of the Security Council issued a note by the President, in which the Council encouraged, inter alia, the early appointment of Chairs of subsidiary bodies, as well as the implementation of various measures to improve the transparency of and the coordination among the subsidiary organs, including but not limited to the provision of interactive briefings to non-members, the preparation of incoming Chairs, and the interaction among Chairs about common concerns, best practices and ways to improve mutual cooperation among subsidiary organs.<sup>335</sup>

In August 2017, at its 8018th meeting, held under the sub-item entitled "Enhancing the effectiveness of United Nations sanctions", the Council was briefed by the Assistant Secretary-General for Political Affairs. During his briefing, he affirmed the enabling role that the sanctions regimes had played in preventing conflict, countering terrorism and constraining the proliferation of nuclear weapons. He also reviewed the development of sanctions regimes in recent years and highlighted the efforts by the sanctions committees to improve the implementation of sanctions measures.<sup>336</sup> During the meeting, speakers stressed, among other things, that sanctions were not an end in themselves and should be integrated in a broader political strategy with a defined objective and a set of termination criteria.<sup>337</sup> They also emphasized the need for sanctions measures to be periodically reviewed to adapt to new and evolving situations.<sup>338</sup>

#### <sup>335</sup> S/2016/170.

Meeting and date	Sub-item	Other documents	Rule 37 invitations	Rule 39 and other invitations	Speakers	Decision and vote (for-against- abstaining)
S/PV.7620 11 February 2016	Working methods of the subsidiary organs of the Security Council Letter dated 2 February 2016 from the Permanent Representative of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (\$/2016/102)		Eight Member States <sup>a</sup> Central African Republic, Chile, Côte d'Ivoire, Eritrea, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Libya, Sudan, Sweden		All Council members, all invitees	
S/PV.8018 3 August 2017	Enhancing the effectiveness of United Nations sanctions			Assistant Secretary- General for Political Affairs	All Council members, Assistant Secretary- General for Political Affairs	

#### Meetings: general issues relating to sanctions

<sup>a</sup> Central African Republic, Chile, Côte d'Ivoire, Eritrea, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Libya, Sudan and Sweden.

## **33.** Women and peace and security

During the period under review, the Security Council held six meetings, including two high-level meetings,<sup>339</sup> and issued one presidential statement in relation to the item entitled "Women and peace and security". The preferred format of meetings under this item was the open debate; accordingly, five of the six meetings were conducted as open debates. More information on the meetings, including on participants, speakers and outcomes, is given in table 1.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>336</sup> S/PV.8018, pp. 2–3.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>337</sup> Ibid., p. 5 (Kazakhstan); p. 6 (China); p. 7 (Ethiopia, Russian Federation); p. 9 (Bolivia); and p. 15 (Italy).

 <sup>&</sup>lt;sup>338</sup> Ibid., p. 5 (Kazakhstan); p. 7 (Ethiopia); p. 8 (Russian Federation); p. 9 (Ukraine); p. 15 (Italy); and p. 17 (Japan).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>339</sup> See S/PV.7938 and S/PV.8079. For more information on the format of meetings, see part II, sect. I.

The Council's debates during 2016 and 2017 focused on the protection of women during conflict and their participation in peacebuilding processes. Council members also discussed the need to develop effective measures to improve the implementation of resolution 1325 (2000) and to increase the number of female police and military officers in peacekeeping operations. During the debates, Council members expressed support to the informal experts group on women and peace and security, which was convened in accordance with resolution 2242 (2015).

During the period under review, in addition to United Nations system officials, the Council was briefed by five women representatives of non-governmental organizations.340 The Council emphasized in its presidential statement the important role that women and civil society, including women's organizations, can play in exerting influence over parties to armed conflict. and welcomed women-led prevention initiatives such as the women's situation rooms throughout Africa, which had helped to prevent or mitigate the eruption and escalation of violence. The Council also emphasized the importance of a comprehensive approach to sustaining peace, and reaffirmed the substantial link between the meaningful involvement of women in efforts to prevent, resolve and rebuild from conflict, and the effectiveness and long-term sustainability of those efforts. The Council welcomed the adoption of regional frameworks to implement resolution 1325 (2000), including the African Union Gender, Peace and Security Programme 2015-2020.341

In June 2016, the Council held an open debate under the sub-item "Responding to human trafficking in situations of conflict-related sexual violence". Speakers highlighted the growing use by terrorist and extremist organizations of sexual violence to control and intimidate communities, recruit and maintain fighters and force people from their homes. Participants addressed a variety of issues in this regard, including sexual violence in conflict, forced marriage, reproductive rights, and sexual slavery.<sup>342</sup> The Council also discussed sexual violence in conflict during a dedicated open debate on 15 May 2017. Speakers at that meeting expressed concerns about sexual exploitation, slavery and kidnappings carried out by groups such as Boko Haram, Islamic State in Iraq and the Levant (ISIL, also known as Da'esh) and Al-Shabaab, and emphasized the significance of redirecting the stigma from the victims to the

perpetrators of sexual violence and of finding means of securing accountability.343

On 25 October 2016, the Council held an open debate to address the obstacles to the implementation of resolution 1325 (2000), having before it a concept note circulated by the Russian Federation.<sup>344</sup> During the meeting, numerous participants commended the increase in the number of peace agreements containing genderspecific provisions.<sup>345</sup> Speakers also underlined the need for greater cooperation between the different organs of the United Nations, namely the General Assembly, the Economic and Social Council, the Peacebuilding Commission and the Security Council, to address impediments to the participation of women in peacebuilding.346 On 27 October 2017, the Council discussed similar issues at an open debate, having before it the report of the Secretary-General on women and peace and security.<sup>347</sup> Participants highlighted the need for ending violence against women, ensuring accountability for perpetrators and ensuring zero tolerance for sexual exploitation by peacekeepers.<sup>348</sup> At the meeting, the Council was briefed by the representative of the NGO Working Group on Women, Peace and Security, who highlighted the importance of the inclusion of a gender perspective as an intersectional principle, including ensuring participation of indigenous women and women from ethnic and other minorities in peacebuilding and other political processes.<sup>349</sup>

During 2016 and 2017, the Council increasingly referred to issues relating to women and peace and security under numerous items of its agenda, and addressed in its decisions a wide variety of measures in connection with the women and peace and security agenda; selected provisions of those decisions are listed in table 2. In particular, the Council

<sup>346</sup> For more information on relations with other United Nations organs, see part IV.

348 S/PV.8079, pp. 14-15 (United Kingdom); p. 16 (Plurinational State of Bolivia); p. 21 (Egypt); p. 27 (Kazakhstan); p. 32 (Colombia); p. 36 (Panama); p. 37 (Liechtenstein); p. 39 (Nepal); pp. 42-43 (Canada); p. 47 (Jordan); p. 59 (Switzerland); pp. 62-63 (Lithuania); p. 63 (Israel); p. 67 (Ireland); pp. 70-71 (Bangladesh); pp. 72-73 (Hungary); p. 73 (Pakistan); p. 75 (Netherlands); p. 76 (El Salvador); p. 83 (Botswana); p. 85 (Costa Rica); and p. 96 (Portugal). <sup>349</sup> Ibid., pp. 7–9.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>340</sup> See S/PV.7658, pp. 8–10; S/PV.7704, pp. 8–10;

S/PV.7793, pp. 5-7; S/PV.7938, pp. 7-8; and S/PV.8079, рр. 7-9.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>341</sup> S/PRST/2016/9, second, third and fifth paragraphs.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>342</sup> See S/PV.7704.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>343</sup> See S/PV.7938.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>344</sup> S/2016/871.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>345</sup> S/PV.7793, p. 15 (Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela); p. 17 (Malaysia); p.18 (United States); p. 25 (Angola); pp. 44-45 (Slovenia); p. 52 (Romania); p. 59 (Bangladesh); p.66 (Morocco); p. 71 (Timor-Leste); p. 78 (Republic of Korea); p. 83 (Azerbaijan); and p. 84 (Portugal).

<sup>347</sup> S/2017/861.

(a) demanded the participation of women in conflict prevention and resolution and in public affairs and governance; (b) called for measures to combat sexual violence including through monitoring, analysing and reporting on conflict-related sexual violence, as well as for the prosecution of perpetrators of sexual violence; (c) called for the appointment of women's protection and gender advisers; and (d) called for a genderspecific approach in countering terrorism and violent extremism. In addition, during the period under review, the Council referred to the funding of national programmes and to the economic empowerment of women in decisions concerning women and peace and security.

Table 1Meetings: women and peace and security

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.7658 28 March 2016	The role of women in conflict prevention and resolution in Africa		26 Member States <sup>a</sup>	Six invitees under rule 39, <sup>b</sup> Permanent Observer of the Holy See to the United Nations	All Council members, <sup>c</sup> 24 invitees under rule 37, <sup>d</sup> all other invitees	
	Note verbale dated 7 March 2016 from the Permanent Mission of Angola to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary- General (S/2016/219)					
S/PV.7704 2 June 2016	Responding to human trafficking in situations of conflict-related sexual violence		33 Member States <sup>e</sup>	Special Representative of the Secretary- General on Sexual Violence in Conflict,	Secretary- General, all Council members, <sup>f</sup> 32 invitees under rule	
	Report of the Secretary- General on conflict-related sexual violence (S/2016/361)		Special Rapporteur on trafficking in persons, especially in women and children, representative of the NGO Working Group on Women, Peace and Security, Deputy Head of the European Union Delegation to the United Nations	37, <sup>g</sup> all invitees under rule 39		
	Letter dated 27 May 2016 from the Permanent Representative of France to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary- General			the NGO Working Group on Women, Peace and Security, Deputy Head of the European Union Delegation to the		

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.7717 15 June 2016						S/PRST/2016/9
S/PV.7793 25 October 2016	Implementing the common agenda		59 Member States <sup>h</sup>	Six invitees under rule 39, <sup>i</sup> Permanent	Secretary- General, all Council	
	Report of the Secretary- General on women and peace and security (S/2016/822)			Observer of the Holy See 57 invitees under rule 37, <sup>j</sup> all other invitees		
	Letter dated 14 October 2016 from the Permanent Representative of the Russian Federation to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary- General (S/2016/871)					
S/PV.7938 15 May 2017	Sexual violence in conflict Letter dated 5 May 2017 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Uruguay to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary- General (S/2017/402)		52 Member States <sup>k</sup>	Four invitees under rule 39, <sup>1</sup> Permanent Observer of the Holy See	Deputy Secretary- General, all Council members, <sup>m</sup> 49 Member States, <sup>n</sup> all other invitees	
S/PV.8079 27 October 2017	Realizing the promise of the women and peace and security agenda: ensuring its full implementation, including the participation of women		67 Member States <sup>o</sup>	Eight invitees under rule 39, <sup>p</sup> Permanent Observer of the Holy See, Permanent Observer of the State of Palestine to the United Nations	All Council members, <sup><i>q</i></sup> all invitees <sup><i>r</i></sup>	

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Meeting record and date	Sub-item	Other documents	Rule 37 invitations	Rule 39 and other invitations	Speakers	Decision and vote (for-against- abstaining)
	Report of the					
	Secretary-					
	General on					
	women and peace					
	and security					
	(S/2017/861)					
	Letter dated					
	20 October 2017					
	from the Chargé					
	d'affaires a.i. of					
	the Permanent					
	Mission of					
	France to the					
	United Nations					
	addressed to the					
	Secretary-					
	General					
	(S/2017/889)					

<sup>*a*</sup> Algeria, Australia, Bangladesh, Belgium, Brazil, Canada, Ethiopia, Georgia, Hungary, India, Indonesia, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Israel, Italy, Kazakhstan, Morocco, Namibia, Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, Rwanda, Slovakia, South Africa, Sweden, Thailand and Turkey.

<sup>b</sup> Executive Director of the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women; Assistant Secretary-General for Political Affairs; Permanent Representative of Kenya and Chair of the Peacebuilding Commission; Permanent Observer of the African Union to the United Nations; Executive Director of the South Sudan Women's Empowerment Network; and Deputy Head of the European Union Delegation to the United Nations.

<sup>c</sup> Angola was represented by its Minister for Family and the Promotion of Women.

<sup>d</sup> Kazakhstan was represented by its Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs. The representative of Sweden spoke on behalf of the Nordic countries; and the representative of Iran (Islamic Republic of) spoke on behalf of the Non-Aligned Movement. The representatives of Georgia and Hungary did not make statements.

- <sup>e</sup> Argentina, Australia, Bangladesh, Belgium, Brazil, Canada, Colombia, Côte d'Ivoire, Estonia, Georgia, Germany, Hungary, India, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Kazakhstan, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Morocco, Netherlands, Nigeria, Portugal, South Africa, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Sweden, Switzerland, Syrian Arab Republic, Thailand, Turkey and United Arab Emirates.
- <sup>*f*</sup> The representatives of Turkey and the Syrian Arab Republic took the floor more than once in order to make further statements.

<sup>g</sup> The representative of Sweden spoke on behalf of the Nordic countries. The representative of Bangladesh did not make a statement.

- <sup>h</sup> Algeria, Argentina, Australia, Azerbaijan, Bangladesh, Belgium, Botswana, Brazil, Cambodia, Canada, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Croatia, Czech Republic, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Estonia, Ethiopia, Gambia, Georgia, Germany, Guatemala, Hungary, India, Indonesia, Iraq, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Ireland, Italy, Jordan, Kazakhstan, Kenya, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Mexico, Morocco, Netherlands, Nigeria, Norway, Pakistan, Panama, Philippines, Poland, Portugal, Republic of Korea, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, South Africa, Sudan, Sweden, Switzerland, Thailand, Timor-Leste, Trinidad and Tobago, Turkey, Uganda, United Arab Emirates and Viet Nam.
- <sup>*i*</sup> Executive Director of the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women; Executive Director and co-founder of the EVE Organization for Women Development, South Sudan, on behalf of the NGO Working Group on Women, Peace and Security; Principal Adviser on Gender of the European External Action Service of the European Union; Special Representative for Women, Peace and Security of the Secretary-General of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO); Director of the Office of the Secretary-General of the Organization in Europe; and Chargé d'affaires of the Permanent Observer Mission of the African Union to the United Nations.
- <sup>j</sup> Nigeria was represented by its Minister of State for Foreign Affairs; Sweden was represented by its State Secretary for Foreign Affairs; Kenya was represented by the Political and Diplomatic Secretary of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs; and Norway was represented by the State Secretary at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. The representative of Liechtenstein spoke on behalf of Austria, Liechtenstein, Slovenia and Switzerland; and the representative of Canada spoke on behalf of the Group of Friends of Women, Peace and Security. The representatives of Algeria and India did not make statements.
- <sup>k</sup> Albania, Argentina, Bangladesh, Belgium, Botswana, Brazil, Cambodia, Canada, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Côte d'Ivoire, Croatia, Czech Republic, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Djibouti, Estonia, Germany, Ghana, Guatemala, Hungary, India, Indonesia, Ireland, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Israel, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Malaysia, Maldives, Mexico, Morocco, Netherlands, Nigeria, Norway, Pakistan, Panama, Peru, Philippines, Poland, Portugal, Republic of Korea, Rwanda, Sierra Leone, South Africa, Spain, Sudan, Switzerland, Syrian Arab Republic, Tunisia, Turkey and Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of).

- <sup>1</sup> Under-Secretary-General and Acting Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Sexual Violence in Conflict and Special Adviser to the Secretary-General on the Prevention of Genocide; Founder and Executive Director of Women's Refugee Route; Principal Adviser on Gender of the European External Action Service of the European Union; and Permanent Observer of the African Union to the United Nations.
- <sup>m</sup> Sweden was represented by its Minister of Defence; and Uruguay (President of the Security Council) was represented by its Vice-Minister for Foreign Affairs.
- <sup>n</sup> Mexico was represented by its Vice-Minister for Multilateral Affairs and Human Rights. The representative of Canada spoke on behalf of the Group of Friends of Women, Peace and Security; and the representative of Norway spoke on behalf of Denmark, Finland, Iceland and Norway. The representatives of Botswana, Croatia and the Philippines did not make statements.
- <sup>o</sup> Afghanistan, Albania, Argentina, Armenia, Australia, Australia, Azerbaijan, Bangladesh, Belgium, Botswana, Brazil, Canada, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Czech Republic, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Djibouti, Ecuador, El Salvador, Georgia, Germany, Guatemala, Hungary, India, Indonesia, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Iraq, Ireland, Israel, Jamaica, Jordan, Kenya, Kuwait, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Maldives, Mexico, Morocco, Namibia, Nepal, Netherlands, Nigeria, Norway, Pakistan, Panama, Peru, Philippines, Portugal, Qatar, Republic of Korea, Romania, Rwanda, Saudi Arabia, Slovakia, Slovenia, South Africa, Spain, Sri Lanka, Switzerland, Thailand, Trinidad and Tobago, Tunisia, Turkey, United Arab Emirates, Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of) and Viet Nam.
- <sup>p</sup> Chef de Cabinet of the Secretary-General; Executive Director of the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women; representative of the NGO Working Group on Women, Peace and Security; Secretary-General of the International Organization of la Francophonie; Principal Adviser on Gender of the European External Action Service of the European Union; Senior Adviser on Gender Issues of the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe; Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Observer Mission of the African Union to the United Nations; and Civilian Liaison Officer of NATO to the United Nations.
- <sup>q</sup> Sweden was represented by its Minister for Foreign Affairs; and Ukraine was represented by its Vice Prime Minister for European and Euro-Atlantic Integration.
- <sup>r</sup> Colombia and Guatemala were represented by their Ministers for Foreign Affairs; the Democratic Republic of the Congo was represented by its Minister for Gender, Child and Family; and Germany was represented by the Federal Government Commissioner for Human Rights Policy and Humanitarian Aid. The representative of Canada spoke on behalf of the Group of Friends of Women, Peace and Security; the representative of Lithuania spoke on behalf of Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania; the representative of Norway spoke on behalf of Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway and Sweden; the representative of Panama spoke on behalf of the members of the Human Security Network; and the representative of Turkey spoke on behalf of the MIKTA countries (Mexico, Indonesia, Republic of Korea, Turkey and Australia).

	Agenda item	Decision	Paragraph
Participation of	women in conflict prevention and resolution		
Country- and	The situation in the Middle East	S/PRST/2016/5	seventh
region-specific	The situation in Somalia	Resolution 2275 (2016)	20
		Resolution 2297 (2016)	42
		Resolution 2358 (2017)	13
		S/PRST/2017/3	fifth
	Reports of the Secretary-General on the Sudan and South Sudan	Resolution 2296 (2016)	14, 30
		Resolution 2327 (2016)	4
		Resolution 2352 (2017)	16
		Resolution 2363 (2017)	15 (b) (v), 24 27
		S/PRST/2017/4	fifth
	Identical letters dated 19 January 2016 from the Permanent Representative of Colombia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council (S/2016/53)	S/PRST/2017/6	fifth

## Table 2

### Provisions relevant to women and peace and security, by theme and agenda item

	Agenda item	Decision	Paragraph
	The situation in Afghanistan	Resolution 2274 (2016)	18, 52
		Resolution 2344 (2017)	12
	The situation in Mali	Resolution 2295 (2016)	26
		Resolution 2364 (2017)	2, 27
	The situation in the Central African Republic	Resolution 2301 (2016)	34 (a) (i)
	The situation in Liberia	Resolution 2333 (2016)	1,8
	The situation in Guinea-Bissau	Resolution 2343 (2017)	3 (e)
	Peace and security in Africa	Resolution 2349 (2017)	14, 27
		Resolution 2359 (2017)	3
Thematic	Peacebuilding and sustaining peace	Resolution 2282 (2016)	21, 22, 30 (h)
		S/PRST/2016/12	ninth
	Cooperation between the United Nations and regional and subregional organizations in maintaining international peace and security	S/PRST/2016/8	fourteenth
	Women and peace and security	S/PRST/2016/9	third, fifth and seventh
Time-bound and	specific commitments by parties to combat sexual violence		
Country- and	Reports of the Secretary-General on the Sudan and South Sudan	Resolution 2296 (2016)	30
region-specific		Resolution 2363 (2017)	27
Thematic	Maintenance of international peace and security	Resolution 2331 (2016)	18
Monitoring and a	analysis of and reporting on conflict-related sexual violence		
Country- and	The situation in the Central African Republic	Resolution 2262 (2016)	29
region-specific		Resolution 2301 (2016)	33 (b) (ii)
	The situation concerning the Democratic Republic of the Congo	Resolution 2277 (2016)	35 (i) (b), 50 (i)
		Resolution 2348 (2017)	34 (i) (b)
	The situation in Mali	Resolution 2295 (2016)	19 (f) (ii), 27
		Resolution 2364 (2017)	20 (f) (ii)
	Reports of the Secretary-General on the Sudan and	Resolution 2296 (2016)	30
	South Sudan	Resolution 2327 (2016)	7 (b) (ii)
		Resolution 2363 (2017)	27, 41(i)
	The situation in Liberia	Resolution 2333 (2016)	8
Thematic	Maintenance of international peace and security	Resolution 2331 (2016)	18

	Agenda item	Decision	Paragraph
Women's protect	ion advisers and gender advisers		
Country- and	The situation in Guinea-Bissau	Resolution 2267 (2016)	3 (e)
region-specific		Resolution 2343 (2017)	3 (e)
	The situation concerning the Democratic Republic of	Resolution 2277 (2016)	38
	the Congo	Resolution 2348 (2017)	37, 39
	The situation in Mali	Resolution 2295 (2016)	19 (c) (iii)
		Resolution 2364 (2017)	21 (c) (iii)
	Reports of the Secretary-General on the Sudan and South Sudan	Resolution 2296 (2016)	30
		Resolution 2327 (2016)	7 (a) (i)
		Resolution 2352 (2017)	29
		Resolution 2363 (2017)	27
	The situation in the Central African Republic	Resolution 2301 (2016)	33 (a) (ii), 45
	Peace and security in Africa	Resolution 2349 (2017)	5
Measures agains	perpetrators of sexual violence		
Country- and	Reports of the Secretary-General on the Sudan and South Sudan	S/PRST/2017/4	third
egion-specific		Resolution 2290 (2016)	9 (d)
		Resolution 2296 (2016)	23
		Resolution 2327 (2016)	23, 25, 29
		Resolution 2363 (2017)	27, 31, 34
	The situation in the Central African Republic	Resolution 2262 (2016)	13 (b)
		Resolution 2301 (2016)	19, 21, 48
		Resolution 2339 (2017)	17 (c)
		S/PRST/2017/5	seventh and eleventh
	The situation in Afghanistan	Resolution 2274 (2016)	51
	The situation concerning the Democratic Republic of the	Resolution 2277 (2016)	13, 14, 16
	Congo	Resolution 2293 (2016)	7 (e), 12, 15
		Resolution 2348 (2017)	11, 14, 38
		Resolution 2360 (2017)	9, 12
	The situation in the Middle East	Resolution 2294 (2016)	10
		Resolution 2330 (2016)	10
		Resolution 2361 (2017)	10
	The situation in Burundi	Resolution 2279 (2016)	2
		Resolution 2303 (2016)	2

	Agenda item	Decision	Paragraph
	The situation in Mali	Resolution 2295 (2016)	27, 36
		Resolution 2364 (2017)	28, 38
	The situation in Cyprus	Resolution 2300 (2016)	13
		Resolution 2338 (2017)	13
	The question concerning Haiti	Resolution 2313 (2016)	31
		Resolution 2350 (2017)	17
	The situation in Liberia	Resolution 2333 (2016)	3, 9, 11 (c) (ii
	Peace and security in Africa	Resolution 2349 (2017)	1, 13
	The situation concerning Western Sahara	Resolution 2351 (2017)	14
	The situation in Somalia	Resolution 2358 (2017)	20
Thematic	Maintenance of international peace and security	S/PRST/2016/2	twenty-second
		Resolution 2331 (2016)	12
	Threats to international peace and security caused by terrorist acts	S/PRST/2016/7	first
Role of women in	countering terrorism and violent extremism		
Country- and region-specific	Peace and security in Africa	Resolution 2349 (2017)	8, 11, 14, 22, 30
Thematic	Threats to international peace and security caused by terrorist acts	Resolution 2354 (2017)	2 (f)
	Women and peace and security	S/PRST/2016/9	sixth
	Maintenance of international peace and security	Resolution 2331 (2016)	8, 10, 14, 15, 18
Economic empow	erment of women/funding of national programmes		
Country- and region-specific	Reports of the Secretary-General on the Sudan and South Sudan	Resolution 2363 (2017)	15 (b) (v)
	The situation in Afghanistan	Resolution 2274 (2016)	52
	The situation in Liberia	Resolution 2333 (2016)	9
	Peace and security in Africa	Resolution 2349 (2017)	14
Thematic	Women and peace and security	S/PRST/2016/9	ninth
Inclusion of wom	en in governance structures		
Country- and	The situation in Afghanistan	Resolution 2274 (2016)	52
egion-specific		Resolution 2344 (2017)	10
	The situation in Somalia	Resolution 2275 (2016)	20
		Resolution 2297 (2016)	42
		S/PRST/2016/13	sixth
		Resolution 2358 (2017)	13
		S/PRST/2017/3	fifth

	Agenda item	Decision	Paragraph
	The situation in the Central African Republic	Resolution 2301 (2016)	45
	The situation in Liberia	Resolution 2333 (2016)	1
	Peace and security in Africa	Resolution 2349 (2017)	14
	The situation in Côte d'Ivoire	S/PRST/2017/8	ninth
Thematic	Women and peace and security	S/PRST/2016/9	sixth

# 34. Threats to international peace and security caused by terrorist acts

During the period under review, the Security Council held 20 meetings, including three high-level meetings,<sup>350</sup> under the item entitled "Threats to international peace and security caused by terrorist acts", adopted eight resolutions, two of which were under Chapter VII of the Charter,<sup>351</sup> and issued three presidential statements. Three of the meetings took the form of open debates,<sup>352</sup> 11 were briefings,<sup>353</sup> and six were convened for the adoption of a decision.<sup>354</sup> More information on the meetings, including on participants, speakers and outcomes, is given in the table below.

The Council's deliberations during 2016 and 2017 focused on a variety of topics, including international cooperation in countering terrorism, foreign terrorist fighters and the sanctions measures against Islamic State in Iraq and the Levant (ISIL, also known as Da'esh) and Al-Qaida.<sup>355</sup> In connection with this item, the Council met for the first time under the following sub-items: "Countering the narratives and ideologies of terrorism",<sup>356</sup> "Aviation security",<sup>357</sup> "International judicial cooperation in countering terrorism",<sup>358</sup> "Protection of critical infrastructure against terrorist acts"<sup>359</sup> and "Preventing terrorists from acquiring weapons".<sup>360</sup>

The decisions of the Council during the period under review focused on those issues. On countering terrorist narratives, the Council noted the urgent need to globally counter the activities of terrorist groups, including countering "terrorist propaganda". For this purpose, the Council requested the Counter-Terrorism Committee, in close consultation with the Counter-Terrorism Committee Executive Directorate and other relevant United Nations bodies, to present a proposal by April 2017 for a comprehensive international framework to effectively counter the ways that ISIL (Da'esh), Al-Qaida and associated individuals, groups, undertakings and entities use their narratives to encourage, motivate and recruit others to commit terrorist acts.<sup>361</sup> Further to the circulation by the Counter-Terrorism Committee in April 2017 of a proposal for a comprehensive international framework to counter terrorist narratives,<sup>362</sup> the Council welcomed the framework and stressed that Member States and all relevant United Nations entities should implement it subject to certain guidelines, including the principles of sovereignty, territorial integrity and political independence of States.<sup>363</sup>

With regard to aviation security, the Council expressed concern that terrorist groups continued to view civil aviation as an attractive target; and called upon all States to work within the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) to ensure that its international security standards were reviewed and adapted to effectively address the threat posed by terrorist targeting of civil aviation, and to strengthen and promote the effective application of ICAO standards and recommended practices. The Council

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>350</sup> See S/PV.7690, S/PV.7775 and S/PV.7882.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>351</sup> Resolutions 2368 (2017) and 2396 (2017).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>352</sup> Two of these meetings were high-level meetings (see S/PV.7690 and S/PV.7882).

 $<sup>^{353}</sup>$  One of these meetings was a high-level meeting (see S/PV.7775).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>354</sup> For more information on the format of meetings, see part II, sect. I.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>355</sup> See part VII, sect. III, "Measures not involving the use of armed force in accordance with Article 41 of the Charter".

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>356</sup> See S/PV.7690.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>357</sup> See S/PV.7775.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>358</sup> See S/PV.7831.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>359</sup> See S/PV.7882.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>360</sup> See S/PV.8017.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>361</sup> S/PRST/2016/6, twelfth and thirteenth paragraphs.

 <sup>&</sup>lt;sup>362</sup> See letter dated 26 April 2017 from the Chair of the Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism addressed to the President of the Council (S/2017/375).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>363</sup> Resolution 2354 (2017), paras. 1 and 2.