Meeting record and date	Sub-item	Other documents	Rule 37 invitations	Rule 39 and other invitations	Speakers	Decision and vote (for-against- abstaining)
	Fourth report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of Security Council resolution 2231 (2015) (S/2017/1030)					
	Letter dated 15 December 2017 from the Security Council Facilitator for the implementation of resolution 2231 (2015) (S/2017/1058)					

<sup>*a*</sup> The representative of Spain spoke in his capacity as facilitator for the implementation of resolution 2231 (2015).

<sup>b</sup> The representative of Italy also spoke in his capacity as facilitator for the implementation of resolution 2231 (2015).

## C. Non-proliferation/Democratic People's Republic of Korea

During the period under review, the Security Council held 14 meetings, including two high-level meetings.404 Against the backdrop of deepening tensions, the number of meetings under the item experienced a sevenfold increase with respect to the previous biennium, during which the Council held two meetings.405 The Council adopted eight resolutions under Chapter VII of the Charter and issued one presidential statement. The total number of decisions (nine) also increased significantly as compared with the previous biennium (two). In addition, on 15 December 2017, for the first time since 2006, a representative of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea participated in a meeting of the Council held under the item.<sup>406</sup> More information on the meetings, including on participants, speakers and outcomes, is given in the table below.

Discussions in the Council focused on the threat to international peace and security posed by the activities of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and on the need for Member States to fully comply and implement the sanctions measures provided for in the relevant resolutions. During the deliberations, speakers repeatedly called for the resumption of dialogue with a view to achieving the denuclearization of the Korean peninsula. Further to the continued launching of missiles and nuclear tests, urgent consultations were held in January, February, March, April, June, August and September 2016,<sup>407</sup> and in February, March, May, August and September 2017.

In response to the escalation in nuclear tests and ballistic missile launches during the period under review, the Council introduced reinforced sanctions measures on the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, including a trade embargo on natural resources (coal, iron and iron ore); in other Member States, the restriction of work authorizations for nationals of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea; a ban on seafood and textile exports; and restriction of imports of crude oil and all condensates as well as of natural gas liquids and refined petroleum products. The Council also reinforced the implementation measures to prevent evasion of sanctions measures.408 Council members described the sanctions regime imposed on the Democratic People's Republic of Korea during the period under review as the strongest ever imposed on the country.<sup>409</sup> Furthermore, in 2016–2017, by resolutions 2276 (2016) and 2345 (2017), the Council twice extended the mandate of the Panel of Experts for periods of 12 months each, the last until 24 April 2018. The Council also expanded the Panel's mandate to include the new measures adopted during the period under review.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>404</sup> See S/PV.7932 and S/PV.8137. For more information on the format of meetings, see part II, sect. I.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>405</sup> For more information, see *Repertoire, Supplement 2014–2015*, part I, sect. 36.C.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>406</sup> See S/PV.8137.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>407</sup> See A/71/2, "Introduction", paras. 174–178, and A/72/2, "Introduction", paras. 170–178.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>408</sup> For more information on the sanctions measures concerning the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, 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>409</sup> S/PV.8151, p. 2 (United States); p. 6 (Ethiopia); p. 8 (Sweden); and p. 12 (Japan).

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.7638</mark> 2 March 2016		Draft resolution submitted by 53 Member States <sup><i>a</i></sup> (S/2016/202)	43 Member States <sup>b</sup>		All Council members, Republic of Korea	Resolution 2270 (2016) 15-0-0 (adopted under Chapter VII)
S/PV.7656 24 March 2016	Note by the President of the Security Council (S/2016/157)	Draft resolution submitted by United States (S/2016/274)				Resolution 2276 (2016) 15-0-0 (adopted under Chapter VII)
S/PV.7821 30 November 2016		Draft resolution submitted by 50 Member States <sup>c</sup> (S/2016/999)	42 Member States <sup>d</sup>		Secretary- General, all Council members, Republic of Korea	Resolution 2321 (2016) 15-0-0 (adopted under Chapter VII)
S/PV.7904 23 March 2017	Note by the President of the Security Council (S/2017/150)	Draft resolution submitted by United States (S/2017/236)				Resolution 2345 (2017) 15-0-0 (adopted under Chapter VII)
S/PV.7932 28 April 2017	Letter dated 18 April 2017 from the Permanent Representative of the United States of America to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary- General (S/2017/337)		Republic of Korea		Secretary- General, all Council members, <sup>e</sup> Republic of Korea <sup>f</sup>	
S/PV.7958 2 June 2017		Draft resolution submitted by United States (S/2017/472)	Republic of Korea		All Council members, Republic of Korea	Resolution 2356 (2017) 15-0-0 (adopted under Chapter VII)
<mark>S/PV.7996</mark> 5 July 2017			Republic of Korea	Assistant Secretary- General for Political Affairs	All Council members, all invitees	
S/PV.8019 5 August 2017		Draft resolution submitted by United States (S/2017/674)	Republic of Korea		All Council members, Republic of Korea	Resolution 2371 (2017) 15-0-0 (adopted under Chapter VII)

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## Part I. Consideration of questions under the responsibility of the Security Council for the maintenance of international 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.8034 29 August 2017					Four Council members (China, Japan, Russian Federation, United States)	S/PRST/2017/16
S/PV.8039 4 September 2017			Republic of Korea	Under-Secretary- General for Political Affairs	All Council members, all invitees	
S/PV.8042 11 September 2017		Draft resolution submitted by United States (S/2017/769)	Republic of Korea		All Council members, Republic of Korea	Resolution 2375 (2017) 15-0-0 (adopted under Chapter VII)
S/PV.8118 29 November 2017			Republic of Korea	Under-Secretary- General for Political Affairs	All Council members, <sup>g</sup> all invitees	
S/PV.8137 15 December 2017	Letter dated 1 December 2017 from the Permanent Representative of Japan to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary- General (S/2017/1038)		Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Republic of Korea		Secretary- General, all Council members, <sup>h</sup> all invitees <sup>i</sup>	
S/PV.8151 22 December 2017		Draft resolution submitted by United States (S/2017/1092)	Republic of Korea		All Council members, Republic of Korea	Resolution 2397 (2017) 15-0-0 (adopted under Chapter VII)

<sup>a</sup> Albania, Australia, Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Canada, Chile, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Ghana, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Iraq, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Kazakhstan, Latvia, Liberia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malaysia, Malta, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Palau, Panama, Philippines, Poland, Portugal, Republic of Korea, Romania, Senegal, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Turkey, Ukraine, United Kingdom, United States, Uruguay and Vanuatu.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>b</sup> Albania, Australia, Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Canada, Chile, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, Germany, Ghana, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Iraq, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Kazakhstan, Latvia, Liberia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Netherlands, Norway, Palau, Panama, Philippines, Poland, Portugal, Republic of Korea, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Sweden, Turkey and Vanuatu.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>c</sup> Armenia, Australia, Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Canada, Chile, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Jordan, Kazakhstan, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Montenegro, Morocco, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Peru, Philippines, Poland, Portugal, Republic of Korea, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Turkey, Ukraine, United Kingdom, United States and Uruguay.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>d</sup> Armenia, Australia, Australa, Belgium, Bulgaria, Canada, Chile, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Jordan, Kazakhstan, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Montenegro, Morocco, Netherlands, Norway, Peru, Philippines, Poland, Portugal, Republic of Korea, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Sweden, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Turkey.

- <sup>e</sup> China, Ethiopia, Japan and Kazakhstan were represented by their Ministers for Foreign Affairs; Senegal was represented by its Minister for Foreign Affairs and Senegalese Abroad; the United Kingdom was represented by its Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs; the United States (President of the Security Council) was represented by its Secretary of State; the Russian Federation and Sweden were represented by their Deputy Ministers for Foreign Affairs; and Italy was represented by its Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation).
- <sup>f</sup> The Republic of Korea was represented by its Minister for Foreign Affairs.
- <sup>g</sup> The representative of Italy (President of the Security Council) spoke in his capacity as Chair of the Committee established pursuant to resolution 1718 (2006).
- <sup>h</sup> Japan (President of the Security Council), Sweden and Ukraine were represented by their Ministers for Foreign Affairs; the United States was represented by its Secretary of State; and the United Kingdom was represented by its Minister of State for Asia and the Pacific.
- <sup>*i*</sup> The Republic of Korea was represented by its Vice-Minister for Foreign Affairs.

## 38. Peacebuilding and sustaining peace

In June 2016, as set out in a note by the President,<sup>410</sup> the Security Council agreed that from 22 June 2016, issues pertaining to peacebuilding and post-conflict peacebuilding would be considered under the item entitled "Peacebuilding and sustaining peace". The Council decided further to subsume under this item the earlier consideration by the Council of those issues under the item entitled "Post-conflict peacebuilding".

During the period under review, the Council held two meetings, including one high-level meeting,<sup>411</sup> and adopted one resolution in connection with the item entitled "Post-conflict peacebuilding". The Council held three meetings and issued one presidential statement under the item entitled "Peacebuilding and sustaining peace". Both decisions of the Council were adopted in 2016. Four of the meetings were held in 2016 and one in 2017. Two of the meetings, held on 22 June 2016 and on 19 June 2017, which focused on the ninth and tenth reports of the Peacebuilding Commission, were followed by informal interactive dialogues. More information on the meetings, including on participants, speakers and outcomes, is given in the table below.

The Council heard briefings on the report of the Advisory Group of Experts on the review of the peacebuilding architecture,<sup>412</sup> and on the activities of the Peacebuilding Commission, including its efforts to foster partnerships and cooperation with relevant stakeholders, both within and outside the United Nations. In 2016–2017, the Council's discussions also focused on peacebuilding in Africa and, in particular, on institution-building.

Following the submission of the report of the Advisory Group of Experts, the General Assembly and the Security Council adopted identical resolutions, namely, resolution 70/262 and resolution 2282(2016).<sup>413</sup> By resolution 2282 (2016), the Council recognized that sustaining peace should be understood as a goal and a process to build a common vision of a society, which encompassed activities aimed at preventing the outbreak, escalation, continuation and recurrence of conflict. The resolution reaffirmed that the mandate of the Peacebuilding Commission was, inter alia, to serve an advisory "bridging role" among the principal organs and relevant entities of the United Nations, and to serve as a platform to convene all relevant actors. The Council encouraged the Commission to review its provisional rules of procedure in order to enhance its focus on developments at the country and regional levels and foster greater engagement by its membership, and encouraged the Commission to enhance its efficiency and flexibility, including by: (a) providing options for the country-specific meetings and formats, to be applied upon the request of the country concerned; (b) enabling it to consider regional and cross-cutting issues; (c) enhancing synergies with the Peacebuilding Fund; and (d) continuing to use annual sessions to facilitate closer engagement with relevant stakeholders. By the same resolution the Council expressed its intention to regularly request and draw upon the Commission's specific, strategic and targeted advice in the formation, review and drawdown of peacekeeping operations and special political missions mandates.<sup>414</sup>

On 28 July 2016, the Council issued a presidential statement in which it reaffirmed the importance of national ownership and leadership in peacebuilding, and stressed the importance of long-

 $<sup>^{410}</sup>$  S/2016/560.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>411</sup> See S/PV.7750. For more information on the format of meetings, see part II, sect. I.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>412</sup> S/2015/490.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>413</sup> For more information on relations with the General Assembly, see part IV, sect. I.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>414</sup> Resolution 2282 (2016), eighth preambular paragraph, paras. 4(c) and (d), 5 (a)–(d) and 8.