

7. *Urges* the leaders of both communities to promote tolerance and reconciliation between the two communities as recommended in paragraph 102 of the report of the Secretary-General of 22 November 1993,<sup>18</sup>

8. *Reaffirms* that the status quo is unacceptable, and encourages the Secretary-General and his Special Representative to pursue the Secretary-General's mission of good offices on the basis of the set of ideas and the package of confidence-building measures relating to Varosha and Nicosia International Airport referred to in paragraph 45 of the above-mentioned report of the Secretary-General;

9. *Notes with interest* the confirmation by the team of international economic experts that the package of confidence-building measures holds significant and proportionate benefits for both sides, and looks forward to receiving the full reports of the economic and civil aviation experts;

10. *Welcomes* in this context the decision of the Secretary-General to resume intensive contacts with both sides and with others concerned and to concentrate at this stage on achieving an agreement on the package of confidence-building measures, intended to facilitate the political process towards an overall settlement;

11. *Also welcomes* the declared support of the Government of Turkey for the package of confidence-building measures, would also welcome a statement of support for that package by the Government of Greece, and expresses the hope that rapid progress will now be made on achieving agreement on the package;

12. *Requests* the Secretary-General to submit a report to the Security Council by the end of February 1994 on the outcome of his efforts to achieve an agreement on the package of confidence-building measures;

13. *Decides* to undertake, on the basis of that report, a thorough review of the situation, including the future role of the United Nations, and, if necessary, to consider alternative ways to promote the implementation of its resolutions on Cyprus.

*Adopted unanimously at the 3322nd meeting.*

## THE SITUATION IN LIBERIA<sup>1</sup>

### Decisions

At its 3187th meeting, on 26 March 1993, the Council decided to invite the representative of Liberia to participate, without vote, in the discussion of the item entitled "The situation in Liberia: report of the Secretary-General (S/25402)".<sup>2</sup>

<sup>18</sup> Ibid., document S/26777.

<sup>1</sup> Resolutions or decisions on this question were also adopted by the Council in 1991 and 1992.

<sup>2</sup> See *Official Records of the Security Council, Forty-eighth Year, Supplement for January, February and March 1993*.

## Resolution 813 (1993) of 26 March 1993

*The Security Council,*

*Having considered* the report of the Secretary-General of 12 March 1993,<sup>3</sup>

*Recalling* its resolution 788 (1992) of 19 November 1992,

*Also recalling* the statements by the President of the Council on its behalf on 22 January 1991<sup>4</sup> and 7 May 1992,<sup>5</sup>

*Reaffirming its belief* that the Yamoussoukro IV Accord of 30 October 1991<sup>6</sup> offers the best possible framework for a peaceful resolution of the Liberian conflict by creating the necessary climate and conditions for free and fair elections in Liberia,

*Deploing* that parties to the conflict in Liberia have not respected or implemented the various accords to date, especially the Yamoussoukro IV Accord,

*Noting* that the continuing breach of earlier accords hinders the creation of a climate and conditions conducive to the holding of free and fair elections in accordance with the Yamoussoukro IV Accord,

*Recognizing* the need for increased humanitarian assistance,

*Welcoming* the continued commitment of the Economic Community of West African States to and the efforts towards a peaceful resolution of the Liberian conflict,

*Also welcoming* the endorsement and support by the Organization of African Unity of these efforts,

*Recalling* the provisions of Chapter VIII of the Charter of the United Nations,

*Determining* that the deterioration of the situation in Liberia constitutes a threat to international peace and security, particularly in this region of West Africa,

1. *Approves* the report of the Secretary-General;<sup>3</sup>

2. *Commends* the Economic Community of West African States for its efforts to restore peace, security and stability in Liberia;

3. *Commends* the Organization of African Unity for its efforts in support of the peace process in Liberia;

4. *Reaffirms its belief* that the Yamoussoukro IV Accord of 30 October 1991<sup>6</sup> offers the best possible framework for a peaceful resolution of the Liberian conflict by creating the necessary conditions for free and fair elections in Liberia, and encourages the Economic Community of West African States to continue its efforts to assist in the peaceful implementation of that Accord;

<sup>3</sup> Ibid., document S/25402.

<sup>4</sup> S/22133.

<sup>5</sup> S/23886.

<sup>6</sup> *Official Records of the Security Council, Forty-seventh Year, Supplement for October, November and December 1992*, document S/24815, annex.

5. *Condemns* the violation by any party to the conflict of the cease-fire established on 28 November 1990;

6. *Also condemns* the continuing armed attacks against the peace-keeping forces of the Economic Community of West African States in Liberia by one of the parties to the conflict;

7. *Reiterates its call upon* all parties to respect and implement the cease-fire and the various accords of the peace process, including the Yamoussoukro IV Accord and the final communiqué of the informal consultative group meeting of the Economic Community of West African States Committee of Five on Liberia, issued at Geneva on 7 April 1992,<sup>7</sup> to which they themselves have agreed;

8. *Welcomes* the appointment by the Secretary-General of Mr. Trevor Gordon-Somers as his Special Representative for Liberia;

9. *Calls upon* all States strictly to abide by and comply with the general and complete embargo on all deliveries of weapons and military equipment to Liberia imposed by the Security Council in its resolution 788 (1992) under Chapter VII of the Charter of the United Nations;

10. *Demands* that all parties fully cooperate with the Secretary-General and the Economic Community of West African States with a view to ensuring the full and prompt implementation of the Yamoussoukro IV Accord;

11. *Declares its readiness* to consider appropriate measures in support of the Economic Community of West African States if any party is unwilling to cooperate in implementation of the provisions of the Yamoussoukro accords, in particular the encampment and disarmament provisions;

12. *Reiterates its call* on Member States to exercise self-restraint in their relations with all parties to the Liberian conflict, in particular to refrain from providing any military assistance to any of the parties and also to refrain from taking any action that would be inimical to the peace process;

13. *Reaffirms* that the embargo imposed by resolution 788 (1992) shall not apply to weapons, military equipment and military assistance destined for the sole use of the peace-keeping forces of the Economic Community of West African States in Liberia;

14. *Commends* the efforts of Member States, the United Nations system and humanitarian organizations in providing humanitarian assistance to the victims of the conflict in Liberia, and in this regard reaffirms its support for increased humanitarian assistance;

15. *Demands* that the parties concerned refrain from any action that will impede or obstruct the delivery of humanitarian assistance and calls upon them to ensure the safety of all personnel involved in international humanitarian assistance;

16. *Reiterates its call upon* all parties to the conflict and all others concerned to respect strictly the provisions of international humanitarian law;

17. *Requests* the Secretary-General, in consultation with the Economic Community of West African States, to consider the possibility of convening a meeting of the President of the Interim Government of National Unity of Liberia and the warring factions, after thorough and detailed groundwork, to restate their commitment to the

implementation of the Yamoussoukro IV Accord within an agreed timetable;

18. *Also requests* the Secretary-General to discuss with the Economic Community of West African States and the parties concerned the contribution which the United Nations could make in support of the implementation of the Yamoussoukro IV Accord, including the deployment of United Nations observers;

19. *Further requests* the Secretary-General to submit a report to the Security Council on the implementation of the present resolution as soon as possible;

20. *Decides* to remain seized of the matter.

*Adopted unanimously at the 3187th meeting.*

## Decisions

At its 3233rd meeting, on 9 June 1993, the Council discussed the item entitled "The situation in Liberia".

At the same meeting, following consultations held earlier with the members of the Council, the President made the following statement on behalf of the Council.<sup>8</sup>

"The Security Council is shocked and saddened by the senseless killing of innocent civilians which occurred near Harbel, Liberia, on the morning of 6 June 1993. It strongly condemns this massacre of innocent displaced persons, including women and children, which comes at a time when the Special Representative of the Secretary-General, Mr. Trevor Gordon-Somers, is working diligently, in furtherance of the efforts of the Economic Community of West African States, on the basis of the Yamoussoukro IV Accord,<sup>6</sup> to arrange a meeting of the warring factions in order to bring the three-year civil war to a peaceful end.

"The Council urges all parties to the conflict to respect the rights of the civilian population and take all necessary measures to secure their safety.

"The Council requests the Secretary-General to commence immediately a thorough and full investigation of the massacre, including any allegations as to the perpetrators, whoever they may be, and to report to it as soon as possible. It warns that those found responsible for such serious violations of international humanitarian law will be held accountable for such crimes and demands that the leaders of any faction responsible for such acts effectively control their forces and take decisive steps to ensure that such deplorable tragedies do not happen again.

"The Council remains firmly supportive of the efforts of the Economic Community of West African States and the Secretary-General to bring peace to Liberia. It urges all Liberian factions and regional leaders to give their full cooperation to current efforts by the Special Representative of the Secretary-General to assist in the implementation of the Yamoussoukro IV Accord calling, *inter alia*, for a cease-fire, the encampment of forces, disarmament and democratic elections."

At its 3263rd meeting, on 10 August 1993, the Council decided to invite the representatives of Benin, Egypt, Liberia and Nigeria to

<sup>7</sup> Ibid., *Supplement for April, May and June 1992*, document S/23863, annex.

<sup>8</sup> S/25918.