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COMPLAINT BY LEBANON IN RESPECT OF A SITUATION ARISING FROM THE INTERVENTION OF THE UNITED ARAB REPUBLIC IN THE INTERNAL AFFAIRS OF LEBANON, THE CONTINUANCE OF WHICH IS LIKELY TO ENDANGER THE MAINTENANCE OF INTERNATIONAL PEACE AND SECURITY

Resolution adopted by the Security Council at  
its 825th meeting on 11 June 1958

The Security Council,

Having heard the charges of the representative of Lebanon concerning interference by the United Arab Republic in the internal affairs of Lebanon and the reply of the representative of the United Arab Republic,

Decides to dispatch urgently an observation group to proceed to Lebanon so as to ensure that there is no illegal infiltration of personnel or supply of arms or other materiel across the Lebanese borders;

Authorizes the Secretary-General to take the necessary steps to that end;

Requests the observation group to keep the Security Council currently informed through the Secretary-General.

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COMPLAINT BY LEBANON IN RESPECT OF A SITUATION ARISING  
FROM THE INTERVENTION OF THE UNITED ARAB REPUBLIC IN  
THE INTERNAL AFFAIRS OF LEBANON, THE CONTINUANCE OF  
WHICH IS LIKELY TO ENDANGER THE MAINTENANCE OF  
INTERNATIONAL PEACE AND SECURITY

United States of America: draft resolution

The Security Council,

Recalling its resolution of 11 June 1958 establishing an Observer Group "to insure that there is no illegal infiltration of personnel or supply of arms or other material across the Lebanese borders",

Noting with satisfaction the progress made to date by the United Nations Observer Group in Lebanon and the contribution of the Secretary-General to its operation,

Recalling that the "Essentials of Peace" resolution of the General Assembly of 1 December 1949 calls upon States to "refrain from any threats or acts, direct or indirect, aimed at impairing the freedom, independence or integrity of any State, or at fomenting civil strife and subverting the will of the people in any State",

Recalling that the "Peace Through Deeds" resolution of the General Assembly of 18 November 1950 condemned "intervention of a State in the internal affairs of another State for the purpose of changing its legally established government by the threat or use of force" and solemnly reaffirms that "whatever weapons used, any aggression, whether committed openly, or by fomenting civil strife in the interest of a foreign power, or otherwise, is the gravest of all crimes against peace and security throughout the world",

Noting the statement of the Representative of Lebanon that infiltration is continuing and that the territorial integrity and independence of Lebanon are being threatened, and the appeal of the Government of Lebanon for military assistance from certain Member States and from the United Nations,

Noting the statement of the Representative of the United States regarding the provision of assistance by the United States to the Government of Lebanon at its request to help maintain the territorial integrity and political independence of Lebanon,

Noting further this statement of the United States Representative that United States forces will remain in Lebanon "only until the United Nations itself is able to assume the necessary responsibility to ensure the continued independence of Lebanon" or the danger is otherwise terminated,

1. Calls for the immediate cessation of all illegal infiltration of personnel or supply of arms or other materiel across the Lebanese borders, as well as attacks upon the Government of Lebanon by Government controlled radio and other information media calculated to stimulate disorders;
2. Invites the United Nations Observer Group in Lebanon to continue and develop its activities pursuant to the Security Council resolution of 11 June 1958;
3. Requests the Secretary-General immediately to consult the Government of Lebanon and other Member States as appropriate with a view to making such additional arrangements, including the contribution and use of contingents, as may be necessary to protect the territorial integrity and independence of Lebanon and to ensure that there is no illegal infiltration of personnel or supply of arms or other materiel across the Lebanese borders;
4. Calls upon all governments concerned to co-operate fully in the implementation of this resolution;
5. Requests the Secretary-General to report to the Security Council as appropriate.

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COMPLAINT BY LEBANON IN RESPECT OF A SITUATION ARISING FROM THE INTERVENTION OF THE UNITED ARAB REPUBLIC IN THE INTERNAL AFFAIRS OF LEBANON, THE CONTINUANCE OF WHICH IS LIKELY TO ENDANGER THE MAINTENANCE OF INTERNATIONAL PEACE AND SECURITY

United States of America: draft resolution

Corrigendum

1. The second paragraph of the preamble should be replaced by the following text:

"Commending the efforts of the Secretary-General and noting with satisfaction the progress made to date by the United Nations Observer Group in Lebanon,"

2. The beginning of the last paragraph of the preamble should read:

"Noting further the statement..."

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USSR: Draft Resolution

The Security Council,

Having heard the United States representative's announcement concerning the introduction of United States armed forces within the confines of Lebanon,

Recognizing that such actions constitute gross intervention in the domestic affairs of the peoples of the Arab countries and are consequently contrary to the purposes and principles of the United Nations as set forth in its Charter and, in particular, in Article 2 (7) which prohibits intervention in matters which are essentially within the domestic jurisdiction of any State,

Considering that the actions of the United States constitute a serious threat to international peace and security,

Calls upon the United States Government to cease armed intervention in the domestic affairs of the Arab States and to remove its troops from the territory of Lebanon immediately.

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CORRIGENDUM

The following heading should be inserted above "USSR: draft resolution"

COMPLAINT BY LEBANON IN RESPECT OF A SITUATION ARISING FROM THE  
INTERVENTION OF THE UNITED ARAB REPUBLIC IN THE INTERNAL AFFAIRS  
OF LEBANON, THE CONTINUANCE OF WHICH IS LIKELY TO ENDANGER THE  
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COMPLAINT BY LEBANON IN RESPECT OF A SITUATION ARISING FROM THE INTERVENTION OF THE UNITED ARAB REPUBLIC IN THE INTERNAL AFFAIRS OF LEBANON, THE CONTINUANCE OF WHICH IS LIKELY TO ENDANGER THE MAINTENANCE OF INTERNATIONAL PEACE AND SECURITY

COMPLAINT BY THE HASHEMITE KINGDOM OF JORDAN OF INTERFERENCE IN ITS DOMESTIC AFFAIRS BY THE UNITED ARAB REPUBLIC

Union of Soviet Socialist Republics: revised draft resolution

The Security Council,

Having heard the United States representative's announcement concerning the introduction of United States armed forces within the confines of Lebanon and also the United Kingdom representative's announcement concerning the introduction of United Kingdom armed forces into Jordan,

Recognizing that such actions constitute gross intervention in the domestic affairs of the peoples of the Arab countries and are consequently contrary to the purposes and principles of the United Nations as set forth in its Charter and, in particular, in Article 2 (7) which prohibits intervention in matters which are essentially within the domestic jurisdiction of any State,

Considering that the actions of the United States and the United Kingdom constitute a serious threat to international peace and security,

Calls upon the Governments of the United States and the United Kingdom to cease armed intervention in the domestic affairs of the Arab States and to remove their troops from the territories of Lebanon and Jordan immediately.

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COMPLAINT BY LEBANON IN RESPECT OF A SITUATION ARISING FROM THE  
INTERVENTION OF THE UNITED ARAB REPUBLIC IN THE INTERNAL AFFAIRS  
OF LEBANON, THE CONTINUANCE OF WHICH IS LIKELY TO ENDANGER THE  
MAINTENANCE OF INTERNATIONAL PEACE AND SECURITY

Sweden: draft resolution

The Security Council,

Noting the communication from the United States Government regarding its decision to comply with a request by the Government of Lebanon for military assistance,

Noting further that United States troops have subsequently arrived in Lebanon,

Recognizing that the United Nations, according to the Charter, is not authorized to intervene in matters which are essentially within the domestic jurisdiction of any State,

Considering that the action now taken by the United States Government has substantially altered the conditions under which the Security Council decided on 11 June 1958 to send observers to Lebanon,

Requests the Secretary-General to suspend the activities of the observers in Lebanon until further notice,

Decides to keep the item on its agenda.

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COMPLAINT BY LEBANON IN RESPECT OF A SITUATION ARISING  
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THE INTERNAL AFFAIRS OF LEBANON, THE CONTINUANCE OF  
WHICH IS LIKELY TO ENDANGER THE MAINTENANCE OF  
INTERNATIONAL PEACE AND SECURITY

United States of America: Revised draft resolution

The Security Council,

Recalling its resolution of 11 June 1958 establishing an Observation Group "to insure that there is no illegal infiltration of personnel or supply of arms or other materiel across the Lebanese borders",

Commending the efforts of the Secretary-General and noting with satisfaction the progress made to date and the encouraging achievements reported by the United Nations Observation Group in Lebanon,

Recalling that the "Essentials of Peace" resolution of the General Assembly of 1 December 1949 calls upon States to "refrain from any threats or acts, direct or indirect, aimed at impairing the freedom, independence or integrity of any State, or at fomenting civil strife and subverting the will of the people in any State",

Recalling that the "Peace Through Deeds" resolution of the General Assembly of 18 November 1950 condemned "intervention of a State in the internal affairs of another State for the purpose of changing its legally established government by the threat or use of force" and solemnly reaffirms that "whatever weapons used, any aggression, whether committed openly, or by fomenting civil strife in the interest of a foreign Power, or otherwise, is the gravest of all crimes against peace and security throughout the world",

Noting the statement of the representative of Lebanon that infiltration of arms and personnel is continuing and the territorial integrity and independence of Lebanon are being threatened, that the Government of Lebanon in the exercise of

the right of self-defence had temporarily requested direct assistance of friendly countries, and that the Government of Lebanon requested further assistance from the Security Council to uphold its integrity and independence,

Noting the statement of the representative of the United States regarding the provision of assistance by the United States to the Government of Lebanon at its request to help maintain the territorial and political independence of Lebanon,

Noting further the statement of the United States representative that United States forces will remain in Lebanon "only until the United Nations itself is able to assume the necessary responsibility to ensure the continued independence of Lebanon" or the danger is otherwise terminated,

1. Invites the United Nations Observation Group in Lebanon to continue to develop its activities pursuant to the Security Council resolution of 11 June 1958;

2. Requests the Secretary-General immediately to consult the Government of Lebanon and other Member States as appropriate with a view to making arrangements for additional measures, including the contribution and use of contingents, as may be necessary to protect the territorial integrity and independence of Lebanon and to ensure that there is no illegal infiltration of personnel or supply of arms or other materiel across the Lebanese borders;

3. Calls upon all Governments concerned to co-operate fully in the implementation of this resolution;

4. Calls for the immediate cessation of all illegal infiltration of personnel or supply of arms or other materiel across the Lebanese borders, as well as attacks upon the Government of Lebanon by government-controlled radio and other information media calculated to stimulate disorders;

5. Requests the Secretary-General to report to the Security Council as appropriate.

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COMPLAINT BY LEBANON IN RESPECT OF A SITUATION ARISING  
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THE INTERNAL AFFAIRS OF LEBANON, THE CONTINUANCE OF  
WHICH IS LIKELY TO ENDANGER THE MAINTENANCE OF  
INTERNATIONAL PEACE AND SECURITY

COMPLAINT BY THE HASHEMITE KINGDOM OF JORDAN OF INTERFERENCE  
IN ITS DOMESTIC AFFAIRS BY THE UNITED ARAB REPUBLIC

The Union of Soviet Socialist Republics: draft resolution

The Security Council,

Having considered the situation in the Near and Middle East resulting  
from the introduction of United States armed forces into Lebanon and of  
United Kingdom armed forces into Jordan,

Taking into account that these actions of the United States of America  
and the United Kingdom constitute a serious threat to international peace and  
security,

Noting that the Security Council at its 834th meeting proved unable to  
exercise its primary responsibility for the maintenance of international peace  
and security,

Decides to call an emergency special session of the General Assembly in  
order to consider the question of the intervention of the United States of America  
and the United Kingdom in Lebanon and Jordan.

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COMPLAINT BY LEBANON IN RESPECT OF A SITUATION ARISING  
FROM THE INTERVENTION OF THE UNITED ARAB REPUBLIC IN  
THE INTERNAL AFFAIRS OF LEBANON, THE CONTINUANCE OF  
WHICH IS LIKELY TO ENDANGER THE MAINTENANCE OF  
INTERNATIONAL PEACE AND SECURITY

United States of America: draft resolution

The Security Council,

Having considered the "Complaint by Lebanon in respect of a situation arising from the intervention of the United Arab Republic in the internal affairs of Lebanon, the continuance of which is likely to endanger the maintenance of international peace and security",

Taking into account that the lack of unanimity of its permanent members at the 834th meeting of the Security Council has prevented it from exercising its primary responsibility for the maintenance of international peace and security,

Decides to call an emergency special session of the General Assembly, as provided in General Assembly resolution 377 (V), in order to make appropriate recommendations concerning the Lebanon complaint.

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COMPLAINT BY LEBANON IN RESPECT OF A SITUATION ARISING  
FROM THE INTERVENTION OF THE UNITED ARAB REPUBLIC IN  
THE INTERNAL AFFAIRS OF LEBANON, THE CONTINUANCE OF  
WHICH IS LIKELY TO ENDANGER THE MAINTENANCE OF  
INTERNATIONAL PEACE AND SECURITY

Japan: Draft resolution

The Security Council,

Having further heard the charges of the representative of Lebanon concerning interference by the United Arab Republic in the internal affairs of Lebanon and the reply of the representative of the United Arab Republic,

1. Invites the United Nations Observation Group in Lebanon to continue to develop its activities pursuant to the Security Council resolution of 11 June 1958;
2. Requests the Secretary-General to make arrangements forthwith for such measures, in addition to those envisaged by the resolution of 11 June 1958, as he may consider necessary in the light of the present circumstances, with a view to enabling the United Nations to fulfil the general purposes established in that resolution, and which will, in accordance with the Charter, serve to ensure the territorial integrity and political independence of Lebanon, so as to make possible the withdrawal of United States forces from Lebanon;
3. Requests the Secretary-General to report to the Security Council on the arrangements made;
4. Calls upon the Governments concerned to co-operate fully in the implementation of this resolution.

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COMPLAINT BY LEBANON IN RESPECT OF A SITUATION ARISING  
FROM THE INTERVENTION OF THE UNITED ARAB REPUBLIC IN  
THE INTERNAL AFFAIRS OF LEBANON, THE CONTINUANCE OF  
WHICH IS LIKELY TO ENDANGER THE MAINTENANCE OF  
INTERNATIONAL PEACE AND SECURITY

Japan: Revised draft resolution

The Security Council,

Having further heard the charges of the representative of Lebanon concerning interference by the United Arab Republic in the internal affairs of Lebanon and the reply of the representative of the United Arab Republic,

1. Requests the Secretary-General to make arrangements forthwith for such measures, in addition to those envisaged by the resolution of 11 June 1958, as he may consider necessary in the light of the present circumstances, with a view to enabling the United Nations to fulfil the general purposes established in that resolution, and which will, in accordance with the Charter, serve to ensure the territorial integrity and political independence of Lebanon, so as to make possible the withdrawal of United States forces from Lebanon;
2. Requests the Secretary-General to report to the Security Council on the arrangements made;
3. Calls upon the Governments concerned to co-operate fully in the implementation of this resolution.

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COMPLAINT BY LEBANON IN RESPECT OF A SITUATION ARISING  
FROM THE INTERVENTION OF THE UNITED ARAB REPUBLIC IN  
THE INTERNAL AFFAIRS OF LEBANON, THE CONTINUANCE OF  
WHICH IS LIKELY TO ENDANGER THE MAINTENANCE OF  
INTERNATIONAL PEACE AND SECURITY

Union of Soviet Socialist Republics: amendments to the revised  
draft resolution submitted by Japan (S/4055/Rev.1)

1. Restore operative paragraph 1 as set forth in document S/4055.
2. Renumber operative paragraph 1 of the revised Japanese draft resolution paragraph 2, and redraft it as follows:  
"2. Requests the Secretary-General to carry out, in addition to the measures envisaged by the resolution of 11 June 1958, the plan submitted by the United Nations Observations Group in Lebanon in its second report, with a view to enabling the United Nations to fulfil the general purposes established in that resolution, which will, in accordance with the Charter, serve to ensure the territorial integrity and political independence of Lebanon".
3. Add a new paragraph 3 as follows:  
"3. Considering that the landing of United States troops in Lebanon constitutes intervention in the domestic affairs of that country and is therefore contrary to the purposes and principles of the United Nations, calls upon the United States of America to withdraw its armed forces from Lebanon immediately".
4. Renumber paragraph 2 of the revised Japanese draft resolution paragraph 4, and add at the end of the paragraph the words "not later than 30 July 1958".
5. Renumber paragraph 3 of the revised Japanese draft resolution paragraph 5.

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COMPLAINT BY LEBANON IN RESPECT OF A SITUATION ARISING FROM THE INTERVENTION OF THE UNITED ARAB REPUBLIC IN THE INTERNAL AFFAIRS OF LEBANON, THE CONTINUANCE OF WHICH IS LIKELY TO ENDANGER THE MAINTENANCE OF INTERNATIONAL PEACE AND SECURITY

COMPLAINT BY THE HASHEMITE KINGDOM OF JORDAN OF INTERFERENCE IN ITS DOMESTIC AFFAIRS BY THE UNITED ARAB REPUBLIC

Union of Soviet Socialist Republics: revised draft resolution

The Security Council,

Having considered the situation in the Near and Middle East resulting from the introduction of United States armed forces into Lebanon and of United Kingdom armed forces into Jordan,

Taking into account that these actions of the United States of America and the United Kingdom constitute a threat to international peace and security,

Noting that the Security Council has proved unable to exercise its primary responsibility for the maintenance of international peace and security,

Decides to call an emergency special session of the General Assembly in order to consider the question of the immediate withdrawal of United States troops from Lebanon and of United Kingdom troops from Jordan.

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COMPLAINT BY LEBANON IN RESPECT OF A SITUATION  
ARISING FROM THE INTERVENTION OF THE UNITED ARAB  
REPUBLIC IN THE INTERNAL AFFAIRS OF LEBANON, THE  
CONTINUANCE OF WHICH IS LIKELY TO ENDANGER THE  
MAINTENANCE OF INTERNATIONAL PEACE AND SECURITY

COMPLAINT BY THE HASHEMITE KINGDOM OF JORDAN OF INTERFERENCE  
IN ITS DOMESTIC AFFAIRS BY THE UNITED ARAB REPUBLIC

United States of America: revised draft resolution

The Security Council,

Having considered the complaints of Lebanon and of the Hashemite Kingdom of  
Jordan,

Taking into account that the lack of unanimity of its permanent members at  
the 834th and 837th meetings of the Security Council has prevented it from  
exercising its primary responsibility for the maintenance of international peace  
and security,

Decides to call an emergency special session of the General Assembly, as  
provided in General Assembly Resolution 377 (V).

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