



# Syrian Arab Republic

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## **Syria - Office of the UN Special Envoy**

<https://www.unog.ch/syria>

Syrian Constitutional Committee formally launched on 30 October 2019 in Geneva:

<https://un4.me/2Cnw3na>

Intra-Syrian Peace Process 2017 - 2018

<https://un4.me/3242bIh>

Intra-Syrian negotiations - Key dates of the peace process

<https://un4.me/2mQVckv>

UN Special Envoy's Paper on Points of Commonalities (24 March 2016)

<https://un4.me/2zNVbSd>

Mediator's Summary of the 13-27 April Round of UN Facilitated  
Intra-Syrian Talks (28 April 2016)

<https://un4.me/2DD2C3f>

Geneva Consultations on Syria - 2015

<https://un4.me/2XoNjW4>

Geneva Conference on Syria - 22 January to 15 February 2014

<https://un4.me/2xumLDj>

Geneva Conference on Syria - 1st round of talks (22-31 January 2014)

<https://un4.me/2RODOJE>

Secretary-General establishes board to investigate events in North-West Syria since signing  
of Russian Federation-Turkey Memorandum on Idlib (SG/SM/19685, 1 August 2019):

<https://www.un.org/press/en/2019/sgsm19685.doc.htm>

Syrian Democratic Forces Sign Action Plan to End and Prevent  
the Recruitment and Use of Children (1 July 2019):

<https://un4.me/2NtbOwM>

Pledging conference aims to raise funds as staggering levels of need  
persist for people throughout Syria (11 March 2019):

<https://un4.me/2UCP2Sm>

Third Brussels conference "Supporting the future of Syria and the region", 12-14 March 2019:

<https://www.consilium.europa.eu/en/meetings/international-ministerial-meetings/2019/03/12-14/>

Second Brussels Conference "Supporting the future of Syria and the region", 24-25 April 2018:

<http://www.consilium.europa.eu/en/meetings/international-ministerial-meetings/2018/04/24-25/>

UN chief appoints head of panel laying groundwork for possible war crimes probe in Syria  
(UN News Centre, 3 July 2017): <https://un4.me/2ErmRSI>

First Brussels Conference "Supporting the future of Syria and the region", 4-5 April 2017:  
<http://www.consilium.europa.eu/en/meetings/international-summit/2017/04/04-05/>

International, Impartial and Independent Mechanism to assist in the Investigation and Prosecution of those Responsible for the Most Serious Crimes under International Law committed in the Syrian Arab Republic since March 2011

(Note to Correspondents, 26 January 2017): <https://un4.me/2kzWTxx>

Summary of UN Headquarters 'Board of Inquiry' Report:  
UN-Syrian Arab Red Crescent aid convoy attacked from the air  
(DPA Politically Speaking, 21 December 2016): <https://un4.me/2kzYROh>

Supporting Syria and the Region (4 February 2016, London):  
<https://www.supportingsyria2016.com/>

## Security Council

- **Meetings in 2019:** 24, 8 October, 30, 19 September, 29, 7 August, 30 July, 27, 26, 25, 18 June, 28, 17 May, 30, 24 April, 27 March, 28, 26 February, 30 January – The situation in the Middle East  
*Meeting records, press releases and resolutions:*  
<http://research.un.org/en/docs/sc/quick/meetings/2019>
  - Launch of Constitutional Committee should spark political process towards ending conflict in Syria, says Security Council Presidential Statement (SC/13976, 8 October 2019):  
<https://www.un.org/press/en/2019/sc13976.doc.htm>
  - Security Council rejects two draft resolutions on situation in Syria amid divisions over Idlib truce, armed groups (SC/13956, 19 September 2019):  
<https://www.un.org/press/en/2019/sc13956.doc.htm>
- **Meetings in 2018:** 20, 13 December, 29, 19, 5 November, 29, 26 October, 18, 11, 7, 6 September, 28 August, 27 July, 27 June, 29 May, 25, 17, 14, 10, 4 April, 27, 19, 16, 12 March, 28, 24, 22, 21, 5 February, 30, 23 January – The situation in the Middle East  
<http://research.un.org/en/docs/sc/quick/meetings/2018>
  - Following air strikes against suspected chemical weapons sites in Syria, Security Council rejects proposal to condemn aggression (SC/13296, 14 April 2018):  
<https://www.un.org/press/en/2018/sc13296.doc.htm>
  - Following three draft texts on chemical weapons attack in Syria, Security Council fails to agree upon independent investigative mechanism (SC/13288, 10 April 2018):  
<https://www.un.org/press/en/2018/sc13288.doc.htm>
  - Procedural vote blocks holding of Security Council Meeting on Human Rights Situation in Syria, Briefing by High Commissioner (SC/13255, 19 March 2018):  
<https://www.un.org/press/en/2018/sc13255.doc.htm>
  - Security Council demands 30-day cessation of hostilities in Syria to enable humanitarian aid delivery, unanimously adopting Resolution 2401 (2018) (SC/13221, 24 February 2018): <https://www.un.org/press/en/2018/sc13221.doc.htm>
  - Despite calls to end 'Hell on Earth', Security Council divided over course of action for halting hostilities in Eastern Ghouta, Syria (SC/13219, 22 February 2018):  
<https://www.un.org/press/en/2018/sc13219.doc.htm>
- **Meetings in 2017:** 19 December, 29, 27, 17, 16, 7 November, 24 October, 27 September, 30 August, 27 July, 27, 15 June, 30, 23, 22 May, 27, 12, 7, 5 April, 30 March, 28, 22 February, 26 January – The situation in the Middle East  
<http://research.un.org/en/docs/sc/quick/meetings/2017>

- Security Council fails for fourth time to renew mandate of Joint Mechanism Investigating Chemical Weapons Attacks in Syria (SC/13076, 17 November 2017): <http://www.un.org/press/en/2017/sc13076.doc.htm>
- Security Council fails to adopt 2 draft resolutions on extending mandate of Joint Mechanism Investigating Chemical Weapons Attacks in Syria (SC/13072, 16 November 2017): <http://www.un.org/press/en/2017/sc13072.doc.htm>
- Security Council fails to renew mandate of Joint Investigative Mechanism on Chemical Weapons Use in Syria, as permanent member casts veto (SC/13040, 24 October 2017): <http://www.un.org/press/en/2017/sc13040.doc.htm>
- Security Council fails to adopt Resolution condemning chemical weapons use in Syria, following veto by Russian Federation (SC/12791, 12 April 2017): <http://www.un.org/press/en/2017/sc12791.doc.htm>
- Double veto prevents Security Council from adopting draft resolution intended to impose sanctions for use of chemical weapons in Syria (SC/12737, 28 February 2017): <https://www.un.org/press/en/2017/sc12737.doc.htm>
- Security Council Press Statement on International Meeting on Syria in Astana (SC/12701, 31 January 2017): <https://www.un.org/press/en/2017/sc12701.doc.htm>
- **Meetings in 2016:** 31, 23, 21, 19 September, 5 December, 30, 21, 17 November, 31, 26, 8 October, 29, 25, 21 September, 22 August, 25 July, 23 June, 27, 4 May, 28 April, 30 March, 26, 24 February, 27, 14 January – The situation in the Middle East; 28 September - Protection of civilians in armed conflict  
<http://research.un.org/en/docs/sc/quick/meetings/2016>
  - Security Council fails to adopt draft resolution to end attacks on Aleppo as two permanent members cast veto (SC/12609, 5 December 2016): <http://www.un.org/press/en/2016/sc12609.doc.htm>
  - Security Council fails to adopt two draft resolutions on Syria, despite appeals for action preventing impending humanitarian catastrophe in Aleppo (SC/12545, 8 October): <http://www.un.org/press/en/2016/sc12545.doc.htm>
- **Meetings in 2015:** 22, 21, 18 December, 16 November, 27 October, 16 September, 27, 17, 7 August, 29 July, 28 July, 29 June, 28 May, 24, 21 April, 26 March, 6 March, 26 February, 28 January – The situation in the Middle East  
<http://research.un.org/en/docs/sc/quick/meetings/2015>
- **Meetings in 2014:** 18, 15 December, 25 November, 30 October, 30, 19 September, 28 August, 14 July, 26 June, 22 May, 20 January – The situation in the Middle East  
<http://research.un.org/en/docs/sc/quick/meetings/2014>
  - Referral of Syria to International Criminal Court fails as negative votes prevent Security Council from adopting draft resolution (SC/11407, 22 May 2014): <http://www.un.org/News/Press/docs//2014/sc11407.doc.htm>
- **Meetings in 2013:** 2 October, 27 September, 24 and 18 April, 26 February – The situation in the Middle East  
<http://research.un.org/en/docs/sc/quick/meetings/2013>
- **Meetings in 2012:** 30 August – The situation in the Middle East; 9 August - Meeting with the troop-contributing countries to the United Nations Supervision Mission in Syria; 19 & 20 July – Middle East; 10 June - Meeting with countries contributing troops and police to the UN Peacekeeping Force in Syrian Arab Republic; 23 April – Middle East; 21 April – Middle East; 14 April – Middle East; 27 March – Middle East; 21 March – Middle East; 12 March – Middle East; 4 February - Middle East situation - Syria; 31 January - Middle East situation – Syria  
<http://research.un.org/en/docs/sc/quick/meetings/2012>
- **Meetings in 2011:** 4 October – Middle East Situation; 3 August - Middle East situation; 10 May - Protection of civilians in armed Conflict - 10 May; 27 April - Meetings on the Middle East Situation  
<http://research.un.org/en/docs/sc/quick/meetings/2011>

- Security Council fails to adopt draft resolution condemning Syria's crackdown on anti-government protestors, owing to veto by Russian Federation, China (SC/10403, 4 October 2011): <http://www.un.org/News/Press/docs//2011/sc10403.doc.htm>

### Resolutions and other selected documents:

- **S/2019/854** (1 November 2019): Letter dated 31 October 2019 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council: <http://undocs.org/S/2019/854>  
Other Title: Progress in the Elimination of the Syrian chemical weapons programme.  
Transmits 73rd monthly report of the Director-General of the Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (OPCW) pursuant to para. 12 of Security Council resolution 2118 (2013); covers the period 24 Sept.-23 Oct. 2019.
  - Earlier reports: <https://un4.me/2LzBIBM> and <https://www.opcw.org/documents-related-syria>
- **S/2019/850** (30 October 2019): Letter dated 29 October 2019 from the Permanent Representatives of the Islamic Republic of Iran, the Russian Federation and Turkey to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council: <http://undocs.org/S/2019/850>  
Transmits joint statement on the Syrian Arab Republic, made in Geneva, 29 Oct. 2019.
- **S/2019/833** (22 October 2019): Letter dated 22 October 2019 from the Permanent Representatives of the Russian Federation and Turkey to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council: <http://undocs.org/S/2019/833>  
Transmits memorandum of understanding between Turkey and the Russian Federation concerning the Syrian Arab Republic, agreed in Sochi, Russian Federation, 22 Oct. 2019.
- **S/2019/826** (18 October 2019): Letter dated 17 October 2019 from the Permanent Representatives of Turkey and the United States of America to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council: <http://undocs.org/S/2019/826>  
Transmits joint Turkish-United States statement on north-east Syria dated 17 Oct. 2019.
- **S/2019/820** (15 October 2019): Implementation of Security Council resolutions 2139 (2014), 2165 (2014), 2191 (2014), 2258 (2015), 2332 (2016), 2393 (2017) and 2401 (2018): report of the Secretary-General: <http://undocs.org/S/2019/820>  
63rd report; covers Aug.- Sept. 2019. "Annex: Reported incidents affecting civilians recorded by the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights: August and September 2019": p. 15-20.
  - Earlier reports: <https://un4.me/2Xowrii>
- **S/2019/789** (3 October 2019): Letter dated 2 October 2019 from the Permanent Representative of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council: <http://undocs.org/S/2019/789>  
Transmits joint statement by the Ministers for Foreign Affairs of the Small Group on Syria, dated 26 Sept. 2019.
- **S/2019/775** (27 September 2019): Letter dated 26 September 2019 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council: <http://undocs.org/S/2019/775>  
Terms of reference and core rules of procedure for a Syrian-led, Syrian-owned, credible, balanced and inclusive Constitutional Committee facilitated by the United Nations in Geneva
- **S/2019/757** (19 September 2019): Draft resolution / China and Russian Federation: <http://undocs.org/S/2019/757>  
The draft resolution was not adopted having failed to obtain the required number of votes (S/PV.8623).
- **S/2019/756** (19 September 2019): Draft resolution / Belgium, Germany and Kuwait: <http://undocs.org/S/2019/756>  
The draft resolution was not adopted due to the negative vote of 2 permanent members of the Security Council (China and Russian Federation) (S/PV.8623).
- **S/AC.51/2019/1** (18 July 2019): Conclusions on children and armed conflict in the Syrian Arab Republic: Working Group on Children and Armed Conflict: <http://undocs.org/S/AC.51/2019/1>  
"Annex: Statement of the Permanent Representative of the Syrian Arab Republic to the United Nations, Bashar Ja'afari, before the Security Council Working Group on Children and Armed Conflict:" p. 7-10.
- **S/2019/155** (19 February 2019): Letter dated 18 February 2019 from the representatives of the Islamic Republic of Iran, the Russian Federation and Turkey to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council: <http://undocs.org/S/2019/155>  
Transmits joint statement on the international meeting on Syria, held in Sochi, Russian Federation, 14 Feb. 2019.

- **S/2019/146** (15 February 2019): Letter dated 15 February 2019 from the representatives of Egypt, France, Germany, Jordan, Saudi Arabia, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the United States of America to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council: <http://undocs.org/S/2019/146>  
Transmits joint statement as issued by the Ministers for Foreign Affairs during the meeting of the Syria Small Group, held in Washington, D.C., 6 Feb. 2019.
- **S/2018/1138** (20 December 2018): Letter dated 19 December 2018 from the representatives of the Islamic Republic of Iran, the Russian Federation and Turkey to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council: <http://undocs.org/S/2018/1138>  
on humanitarian situation in the Syrian Arab Republic and renewal of authorization of relief delivery and monitoring mechanism until 10 Jan. 2020
- **S/RES/2449 (2018)**: [http://undocs.org/S/RES/2449\(2018\)](http://undocs.org/S/RES/2449(2018))  
Security Council renewed its authorization of the delivery of humanitarian supplies to the devastated country across borders and lines of conflict for a further 12 months, until 10 January 2020.
- **S/2018/1076** (3 December 2018): Letter dated 30 November 2018 from the Permanent Representatives of the Islamic Republic of Iran, the Russian Federation and Turkey to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council: <http://undocs.org/S/2018/1076>  
Transmits joint statement on the international meeting on Syria, held in Astana, 28-29 Nov. 2018.
- **S/2018/969** (30 October 2018): Children and armed conflict in the Syrian Arab Republic: report of the Secretary-General: <http://undocs.org/S/2018/969>  
Prepared pursuant to Security Council resolution 1612 (2005) and subsequent resolutions; covers the period from 16 Nov. 2013-30 June 2018.
- **S/2018/964** (29 October 2018): Letter dated 29 October 2018 from the Permanent Representatives of France, Germany, the Russian Federation and Turkey to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council: <http://undocs.org/S/2018/964>  
Transmits joint statement issued at the quadrilateral summit on Syria, held in Istanbul, Turkey, 27 Oct. 2018.
- **S/2018/852** (18 September 2018): Letter dated 18 September 2018 from the Permanent Representatives of the Russian Federation and Turkey to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council: <http://undocs.org/S/2018/852>  
Transmits memorandum on the stabilization of the situation in the Idlib de-escalation area signed by the Russian Federation and Turkey on 17 Sept. 2018.
- **S/2018/620** (21 June 2018): Letter dated 19 June 2018 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council: <http://undocs.org/S/2018/620>  
Transmits letter dated 13 June 2018 from the Director-General of the Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (OPCW) transmitting the report of the OPCW Fact-finding Mission in Syria on alleged incidents in Ltamenah, on 24-25 March 2017.
- **S/2018/617** (19 June 2018): Report of the Secretary-General on the Review of United Nations cross-border operations: <http://undocs.org/S/2018/617>  
Submitted pursuant to para. 5 of Security Council resolution 2393 (2017).
- **S/2018/478** (22 May 2018): Letter dated 17 May 2018 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council: <http://undocs.org/S/2018/478>  
Transmits letter dated 15 May 2018 from the Director-General of the Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (OPCW) transmitting the report of the OPCW Fact-finding Mission in Syria on an alleged incident in Saraqib on 4 Feb. 2018.
- **S/2018/355** (14 April 2018): Russian Federation: draft resolution: <http://undocs.org/S/2018/355>
- **S/2018/333** (12 April 2018): Letter dated 11 April 2018 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council: <http://undocs.org/S/2018/333>  
Urges the Security Council not to give up on efforts to agree upon a dedicated mechanism to attribute responsibility for the use of chemical weapons in the Syrian Arab Republic.
- **S/2018/322** (10 April 2018): Russian Federation: draft resolution: <http://undocs.org/S/2018/322>  
on use of chemical weapons in the Syrian Arab Republic
- **S/2018/321** (10 April 2018): Albania, Australia, Bulgaria, Canada, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Montenegro, Netherlands, Norway, Peru, Poland, Qatar, Republic of Moldova, Slovenia, Sweden, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Turkey, Ukraine, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and United States of America: draft resolution: <http://undocs.org/S/2018/321>  
on establishment of the UN Independent Mechanism of Investigation (UNIMI) to investigate the use of chemical weapons in the Syrian Arab Republic



- **S/2018/175** (10 April 2018): Russian Federation: draft resolution: <http://undocs.org/S/2018/175>  
on establishment of the UN Independent Mechanism of Investigation (UNIMI) to investigate the use of chemical weapons in the Syrian Arab Republic
- **S/2018/234** (19 March 2018): Letter dated 16 March 2018 from the Representatives of France, Kuwait, the Netherlands, Peru, Poland, Sweden, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the United States of America to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council: <http://undocs.org/S/2018/234>  
Expresses concern about the alleged lack of implementation of Security Council resolution 2401 (2018) by the Syrian Arab Republic and the Russian Federation.
- **S/RES/2401 (2018)**: [https://undocs.org/S/RES/2401\(2018\)](https://undocs.org/S/RES/2401(2018))  
on cessation of hostilities to enable humanitarian aid delivery in the Syrian Arab Republic
- **S/RES/2393 (2017)**: [http://undocs.org/S/RES/2393\(2017\)](http://undocs.org/S/RES/2393(2017))  
renewing the authorization for cross-border and cross-conflict-line humanitarian access to Syria for a further 12 months, until 10 January 2019
- **A/72/616-S/2017/987** (30 November 2017): Letter dated 22 November 2017 from the Permanent Representatives of the Islamic Republic of Iran, the Russian Federation and Turkey to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General: <http://undocs.org/S/2017/987>  
Transmits joint statement on the situation in the Syrian Arab Republic adopted in Sochi, Russian Federation, on 22 Nov. 2017.
- **S/2017/980** (21 November 2017): Letter dated 20 November 2017 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council: <http://undocs.org/S/2017/980>  
Transmits summary update of the activities carried out by the Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons Fact-Finding Mission in the Syrian Arab Republic in 2017.
- **S/2017/970** (17 November 2017): Japan: draft resolution: <http://undocs.org/S/2017/970>
- **S/2017/968** (16 November 2017): Plurinational State of Bolivia: draft resolution: <http://undocs.org/S/2017/968>
- **S/2017/962** (16 November 2017): France, Italy, Japan, Sweden, Ukraine, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and United States of America: draft resolution: <http://undocs.org/S/2017/962>
- **S/2017/931** (6 November 2017): Letter dated 3 November 2017 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council: <http://undocs.org/S/2017/931>  
Transmits letter dated 2 Nov. 2017 from the Director-General of the Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (OPCW) transmitting the report of the OPCW Fact-Finding Mission in Syria regarding the alleged use of chemical weapons in the Syrian Arab Republic on 30 Mar. 2017.
- **S/2017/904** (31 October 2017): Letter dated 26 October 2017 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council: <http://undocs.org/S/2017/904>  
Transmits 7th report of the Organisation for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (OPCW)-United Nations Joint Investigative Mechanism.
- **S/2017/884** (24 October 2017): Draft resolution [on the extension of the mandate of the Joint Investigative Mechanism]: <http://undocs.org/S/2017/884>
- **S/2017/815** (29 September 2017): Letter dated 27 September 2017 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council: <http://undocs.org/S/2017/815>
- **S/2017/567** (30 June 2017): Letter dated 30 June 2017 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council: <http://undocs.org/S/2017/567>  
Other Title: Report of the OPCW Fact-Finding Mission in Syria regarding an alleged incident in Khan Shaykhun, Syrian Arab Republic, April 2017  
Transmits letter dated 29 June 2017 from the Director-General of the Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (OPCW) transmitting the report of the OPCW Fact-Finding Mission in Syria regarding the alleged use of chemical weapons in the Syrian Arab Republic on 4 April 2017.
- **S/2017/552** (28 June 2017): Letter dated 23 June 2017 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council: <http://undocs.org/S/2017/552>  
Transmits 6th report of the Organization for the OPCW/UN Joint Investigative Mechanism pursuant to Security Council resolution 2235 (2015) and 2319 (2016); covers the period 11 Feb. 2017-22 June 2017.
  - *Earlier reports:* <https://un4.me/2XkDWSz>
- **S/2017/400** (5 May 2017): Letter dated 4 May 2017 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council: <http://undocs.org/S/2017/400>  
Transmits report from the Director-General of the Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons entitled "Report of the OPCW Fact-Finding Mission in Syria regarding the incident of 16 September 2016, as reported in the note verbale of the Syrian Arab Republic, number 113, dated 29 November 2016".
- **S/2017/315** (12 April 2017): Draft resolution [on the use of chemical weapons in the Syrian Arab Republic]: <http://undocs.org/S/2017/315>

- **S/2017/172** (28 February 2017): Draft resolution [on the use of chemical weapons in the Syrian Arab Republic]: <http://undocs.org/S/2017/172>
- **S/2017/45** (17 January 2017): Letter dated 16 January 2017 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council: <http://undocs.org/S/2017/45>  
Transmits two notes by the Technical Secretariat of the Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons, entitled "Report of the OPCW Fact-Finding Mission in Syria regarding the incident of 2 August 2016 as reported in the note verbale of the Syrian Arab Republic number 69, dated 16 August 2016" and "Summary update of the activities carried out by the OPCW Fact-Finding Mission in Syria in 2016" respectively.
- **S/RES/2336 (2016)**: [http://undocs.org/S/RES/2336\(2016\)](http://undocs.org/S/RES/2336(2016))  
on establishment of a ceasefire in the Syrian Arab Republic
- **S/2016/1133** (29 December 2016): Letter dated 29 December 2016 from the Permanent Representative of the Russian Federation and the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Turkey to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council: <http://undocs.org/S/2016/1133>  
Transmits documents concerning the establishment of a ceasefire in the Syrian Arab Republic.
- **A/71/730-S/2016/1082** (22 December 2016): Letter dated 20 December 2016 from the Permanent Representative of the Russian Federation to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General: <http://undocs.org/S/2016/1082>  
Transmits joint statement by the Ministers for Foreign Affairs of the Islamic Republic of Iran, the Russian Federation and the Republic of Turkey on "agreed steps to revitalize the political process to end the Syrian conflict", adopted in Moscow on 20 Dec. 2016.
- **S/2016/1090** (21 December 2016): Letter dated 20 December 2016 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council:  
<http://undocs.org/S/2016/1090>  
Transmits special report of the Office of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Sexual Violence in Conflict focusing on crimes committed by the Islamic State in Iraq and the Levant in the context of Iraq and the Syrian Arab Republic, prepared pursuant to Security Council resolutions 1960 (2010), 2106 (2013), 2242 (2015) and 2253 (2015).
- **S/RES/2332 (2016)**: [http://undocs.org/S/RES/2332\(2016\)](http://undocs.org/S/RES/2332(2016))  
on the humanitarian situation in the Syrian Arab Republic and renewal of authorization of relief delivery and monitoring mechanism until 18 Jan. 2018
- **S/RES/2328 (2016)**: [http://undocs.org/S/RES/2328\(2016\)](http://undocs.org/S/RES/2328(2016))  
on humanitarian evacuations in Aleppo, Syrian Arab Republic
- **S/2016/1026** (5 December 2016): Egypt, New Zealand and Spain: draft resolution:  
<http://undocs.org/S/2016/1026>
- **S/RES/2319 (2016)**: [http://undocs.org/S/RES/2319\(2016\)](http://undocs.org/S/RES/2319(2016))  
extended the mandate of the United Nations-Organisation for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (OPCW) Joint Investigative Mechanism for an additional year
- **S/RES/2314 (2016)**: [http://undocs.org/S/RES/2314\(2016\)](http://undocs.org/S/RES/2314(2016))  
extending the mandate of the United Nations-Organisation for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (OPCW) Joint Investigative Mechanism until 18 November
- **S/2016/847** (8 October 2016): Draft resolution / Russian Federation [on cessation of hostilities in the Syrian Arab Republic]: <http://undocs.org/S/2016/847>
- **S/2016/846** (8 October 2016): Draft resolution / Andorra, Australia, Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Canada, Costa Rica, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Mexico, Monaco, Morocco, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Qatar, Romania, San Marino, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Turkey, Ukraine, United Arab Emirates, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and United States of America [on cessation of hostilities in the Syrian Arab Republic]: <http://undocs.org/S/2016/846>
- **S/RES/2268 (2016)**: [http://undocs.org/S/RES/2268\(2016\)](http://undocs.org/S/RES/2268(2016))  
on cessation of hostilities in the Syrian Arab Republic
- **S/2016/152** (17 February 2016): Letter dated 17 February 2016 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council: <http://undocs.org/S/2016/152>  
Submitted pursuant to para. 15 of Security Council resolution 2254 (2015), in which the Council requested the Secretary-General to report within 60 days on the implementation of the resolution.
- **S/RES/2258 (2015)**: [http://undocs.org/S/RES/2258\(2015\)](http://undocs.org/S/RES/2258(2015))  
on the humanitarian situation in the Syrian Arab Republic and renewal for a period of 12 months of two decisions of Security Council resolution 2165 (2014)
- **S/RES/2254 (2015)**: [http://undocs.org/S/RES/2254\(2015\)](http://undocs.org/S/RES/2254(2015))  
endorsing road map for peace process in Syria, setting timetable for talks
- **S/RES/2235 (2015)**: [http://undocs.org/S/RES/2235\(2015\)](http://undocs.org/S/RES/2235(2015))  
on establishment of an OPCW-UN Joint Investigative Mechanism to identify the use of chemical weapons in the Syrian Arab Republic

- **S/RES/2209 (2015)**: [http://undocs.org/S/RES/2209\(2015\)](http://undocs.org/S/RES/2209(2015))  
on the progress in the elimination of the Syrian chemical weapons programme
- **S/RES/2192 (2014)**: [http://undocs.org/S/RES/2192\(2014\)](http://undocs.org/S/RES/2192(2014))  
on renewal of the decisions in paragraphs 2 and 3 of Security Council resolution 2165 (2014) for a period of 12 months until 10 Jan. 2016
- **S/AC.51/2014/4** (26 November 2014): Working Group on Children and Armed Conflict: Conclusions on children and armed conflict in the Syria <http://undocs.org/S/AC.51/2014/4>
- **S/RES/2165 (2014)**: [http://undocs.org/S/RES/2165\(2014\)](http://undocs.org/S/RES/2165(2014))  
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