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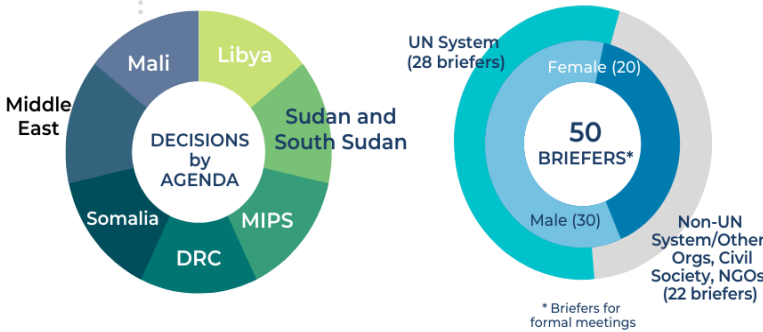
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June 2023 at a Glance

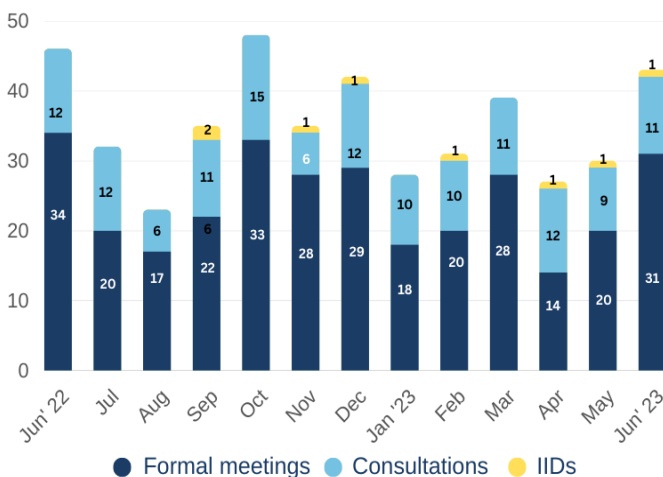


Most frequently discussed topics (open & closed)

Somalia Mali Sudan and South Sudan
Middle East Ukraine



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Under the **Presidency of the United Arab Emirates**, the Security Council held **three signature events**, all under thematic agenda items:

- A briefing on **Cooperation between the United Nations and regional and subregional organizations in maintaining international peace and security** (8 June), focusing on cooperation with the League of Arab States (S/2023/407). The Minister of State of the United Arab Emirates presided over the meeting.
- A high-level open debate on **Threats to international peace and security** (13 June), focused on climate change, peace and security (S/2023/408). The Minister of Climate Change and Environment of the United Arab Emirates presided over the meeting.
- A high-level briefing on **Maintenance of international peace and security** (14 June), focused on the values of human fraternity in promoting and sustaining peace (S/2023/417). The Minister of State of the United Arab Emirates presided over the meeting and the Secretary-General provided a briefing.

Key Topics

Ukraine (6, 15, 23, 27 and 29 June), the **Middle East** (6, 12, 15, and 29 June), **Sudan and South Sudan** (2, 15, 20 and 23 June), **Mali** (7, 16 and 30 June) and **Somalia** (15, 22 and 27 June) were the most frequently considered country- or region-specific items in open and closed discussions.

Other country- or region-specific items considered by the Council included: **Afghanistan**, the **Central African region**, the **Central African Republic**, the **Democratic Republic of the Congo**, **Libya** and the **Middle East**, including the **Palestinian question**, **Non-proliferation/DPRK** and **Peace and security in Africa**.

Under other matters (AOB), Council members discussed the **Nord Stream gas pipeline incident and the situation in the Middle East, including the Palestinian question.**

In addition to the signature events, Council members also held thematic meetings on **Threats to international peace and security (UNITAD)** and the **International Residual Mechanism for Criminal Tribunals.**

Procedural notes

On 6 June, **Algeria, Guyana, the Republic of Korea, Sierra Leone and Slovenia** were elected by the General Assembly to serve on the Council for a two-year term, starting in January 2024.

On 22 June, the Council held an **informal interactive dialogue** further to paragraph 6 of resolution [2672 \(2023\)](#) concerning the humanitarian situation in **Syria**. This was the sixth **informal interactive dialogue** since resolution [2642 \(2022\)](#), which introduced this format for the first time.

On 27 June, the **Informal Working Group on Documentation and other Procedural Questions (IWG)** held its third meeting of the year, chaired by Albania.

On 30 June, the General Assembly held a **debate on the Annual Report of the Security Council (A/77/2)** presented by the President of the Security Council ([A/77/PV.86](#) and [A/77/PV.87](#)).

Decisions and press statements

In June 2023, the Council adopted **seven resolutions** (except for one, all resolutions were adopted unanimously). The Council did not issue any **presidential statement** during the month.

On 2 June, the Council adopted with one abstention resolution [2684 \(2023\)](#), under Chapter VII of the Charter, extending for 12 months the **authorizations related to the Libya arms embargo** (see [S/PV.9335](#)).

On the same day, the Council adopted resolution [2685 \(2023\)](#), extending the mandate of **UNITAMS** for six months until 3 December 2023. On 14 June, the Council adopted resolution [2686 \(2023\)](#), by which it urged States and international and regional organizations to **publicly condemn violence, hate speech and extremism**, and encouraged all relevant stakeholders to develop and share good practices to **promote tolerance and peaceful coexistence**. On 27 June, the Council adopted two resolutions under Chapter VII: resolution [2687 \(2023\)](#), **extending the authorization of ATMIS** by six months, and resolution [2688 \(2023\)](#), **renewing the sanctions regime in the Democratic Republic of the Congo** for one year and extending until 1 August 2024 **the mandate of the Group of Experts overseeing its implementation**. On 29 June, the Council adopted resolution [2689 \(2023\)](#), by which it renewed the mandate of **UNDOF** for six months, until 31 December 2023. On 30 June, the Council adopted resolution [2690 \(2023\)](#), under Chapter VII, deciding to terminate the mandate of **MINUSMA** and begin the drawdown and withdrawal of the mission with a view to completing the process by 31 December 2023.

The Council issued five press statements on the following topics: the ongoing **military clashes in Sudan** ([SC/15305](#)), the ongoing violence in **Laascaanood in Somalia** ([SC/15313](#)), the **terrorist attack on ATMIS** ([SC/15314](#)), the **attack against MINUSMA** ([SC/15316](#)), and the **attack on an IDP camp in the Democratic Republic of the Congo** ([SC/15319](#)).

Other activities

Council members convened **one Arria-formula meeting** on the topic: “**Enhancing the Capacities of Member States to Ensure a Gender Responsive Approach to Counter-Terrorism**” (26 June), organized by Malta and co-sponsored by Costa Rica, Jordan, Mexico, Mozambique, New Zealand, and Spain.

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