Topics taken up under the general "umbrella" agenda item, "Peace and security in Africa" and its earlier formulation, "The situation in Africa"

25 September 1997 to 30 June 2021

Beginning in 1997, the Security Council saw the usefulness of having a general, or "umbrella" agenda item for taking up matters relating to Africa when either that matter might not merit a distinct agenda item, or was too sensitive for one. The initial formulation used was "The situation in Africa" until 25 September 2007, when the formulation became "Peace and security in Africa".

In this Table, the list of topics has been divided into two categories: 1) Country- or region-specific topics, and 2) Thematic topics. The topics and specific issues in this Table are set out for information purposes and were not necessarily determined by the Security Council itself.

1) Country- or region-specific topics

General topic	Specific issue	Date	Council President	Concept paper/ Meeting records	Outcome adopted (if any)
Djibouti and Eritrea	no listed sub-item	5 Dec. 2011	Russia	S/PV.6674	S/RES/2023 (2011)
	no listed sub-item	23 Dec. 2009	Burkina Faso	S/PV.6254	S/RES/1907 (2009)
	Letter dated 11 Jun. 2008 from Djibouti (S/2008/387)	24 Jun. 2008	United States	S/PV.5924	
	no listed sub-item	12 Jun. 2008	United States	S/PV.5908	S/PRST/2008/20
Ethiopia	no listed sub-item	8 Nov. 2021	Mexico	S/PV.8899	
	no listed sub-item	6 Oct. 2021	Kenya	S.PV.8875	
	no listed sub-item	26 Aug. 2021	India	S/PV.8843	
	no listed sub-item	2 Jul. 2021	France	S/PV.8812	
Grand Ethiopian	no listed sub-item	15 Sept. 2021	Ireland	S/PV.8860	S/PRST/2021/18
Renaissance Dam	no listed sub-item	8 July 2021	France	S/PV.8816	
Gulf of Guinea and piracy	no listed sub-item	31 Oct. 2011	Nigeria	S/PV.6645	S/RES/2018 (2011)
	no listed sub-item	19 Oct. 2011	Nigeria	S/2011/644 S/PV.6633	

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Horn of Africa	Report of the Secretary-General on Eritrea (S/2010/327) Letter dated 12 Jul. 2010 from the Chairman of the Committee pursuant to resolutions 751 (1992) and 1907 (2009) concerning Somalia and Eritrea (S/2010/372)	20 Jul. 2010	Nigeria	S/PV.6362	
	no listed sub-item	4 Nov. 2019	United Kingdom	S/PV.8657	
	no listed sub-item	19 May 2010	Lebanon	S/PV.6316	
Kenya	Letter dated 21 Oct. 2013 from Kenya (S/2013/624)	15 Nov. 2013	China	S/PV.7060	Draft res. S/2013/660 not adopted because of insufficient votes
	no listed sub-item	6 Feb 2008	Panama	S/PV.5831	S/PRST/2008/4
Lake Chad Basin region	no listed sub-item	22 Mar. 2018	Netherlands	S/PV.8212	
	Report of the Secretary-General on situation in the Lake Chad Basin region (S/2017/764)	13 Sept. 2017	Ethiopia	S/PV.8047	
	no listed sub-item	31 Mar. 2017	United Kingdom	S/PV.7911	S/RES/2349 (2017)
	no listed sub-item	12 Jan. 2017	Sweden	S/PV.7861	
	no listed sub-item	27 Jul. 2016	Japan	S/PV.7748	
Libya	Impact of the Libyan crisis on the Sahel zone	26 Jan. 2012	South Africa	S/2012/42 S/PV.6709	
	no listed sub-item	26 Feb. 2011	Brazil	S/PV.6491	S/RES/1970 (2011)
	no listed sub-item	25 Feb. 2011	Brazil	S/PV.6490	
	no listed sub-item	22 Feb. 2011	Brazil	S/PV.6484	
Mali	Report of the Secretary-General on the situation in Mali (S/2012/894)	5 Dec. 2012	Morocco	S/PV.6879	
	no listed sub-item	12 Oct. 2012	Guatemala	S/PV.6846	S/RES/2071 (2012)
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	no listed sub-item	8 Aug. 2012	France	S/PV.6820	
	no listed sub-item	5 Jul. 2012	Colombia	S/PV.6798	S/RES/2056 (2012)
	no listed sub-item	4 Apr. 2012	United States	S/PV.6745	S/PRST/2012/9
Mauritania	no listed sub-item	19 Aug. 2008	Belgium	S/PV.5960	S/PRST/2008/30
Nigeria and Democratic Republic of the Congo	no listed sub-item	10 Aug. 2017	Egypt	S/PV.8022	
Sahel region	Report of the Secretary-General on the G-5 Sahel Joint Force (S/2021/940)	12 Nov. 2021	Mexico	S/PV.8903	
	Report of the Secretary-General on the Joint Force of the Group of Five for the Sahel (S/2019/868)	20 Nov. 2019	United Kingdom	S/PV.8670	
	Report of the Secretary-General on the Joint Force of the Group of Five for the Sahel (S/2019/371)	16 May 2019	Indonesia	S/PV.8526	
	Report of the Secretary-General on the Joint Force of the Group of Five for the Sahel (S/2019/371)	16 May 2019	Indonesia	S/PV.8526	
	United Nations Integrated Strategy for the Sahel, an integrated response to peacebuilding and sustaining peace in the Sahel	20 Dec. 2018	Côte d'Ivoire	S/PV.8435	
	Report of the Secretary-General on the Joint Force of the Group of Five for the Sahel (S/2018/1006)	15 Nov. 2018	China	S/PV.8402	
	Women and peace and security in the Sahel	10 Jul. 2018	Sweden	S/PV.8306	
	Report of the Secretary-General on the Joint Force of the Group of Five for the Sahel (S/2018/432)	23 May 2018	Poland	S/PV.8266	
	no listed sub-item	8 Dec. 2017	Japan	S/PV.8129	S/RES/2391 (2017)
	Report of the Secretary-General on the Joint Force on the Group of Five for the Sahel (S/2017/869)	30 Oct. 2017	France	S/PV.8080	
	no listed sub-item	15 Aug. 2017	Egypt	S/PV.8024	

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Challenges in the Sahel	26 May 2016	Egypt	S/PV.7699	
no listed sub-item	8 Dec. 2015	United States	S/PV.7571	S/PRST/2015/24
Report of the Secretary-General on the progress towards the United Nations integrated strategy for the Sahel (S/2015/866)	25 Nov. 2015	United Kingdom	S/PV.7566	
no listed sub-item	11 Dec. 2014	Chad	S/PV.7335	
no listed sub-item	27 Aug. 2014	United Kingdom	S/PV.7249	S/PRST/2014/17
Report of the Secretary-General on the progress towards the United Nations integrated strategy for the Sahel (S/2014/397)	19 Jun. 2014	Russia	S/PV.7203	
no listed sub-item	12 Dec. 2013	France	S/PV.7081	S/PRST/2013/20
Report of the Secretary-General on the situation in the Sahel region (S/2013/354)	16 Jul. 2013	United States	S/PV.7001	S/PRST/2013/10
Report of the Secretary-General on the situation in the Sahel region (S/2013/354)	26 Jun. 2013	United Kingdom	S/PV.6988	
The Sahel: Towards a more comprehensive and coordinated approach	10 Dec. 2012	Morocco	S/PV.6882 S/2012/906	S/PRST/2012/26
no listed sub-item	17 Sept. 2012	Germany	S/PV.6836	
no listed sub-item	26 Mar. 2012	United Kingdom	S/PV.6741	
The impact of transnational organized crime on peace, security and stability in West Africa and the Sahel region Letter dated 17 Jan. 2012 from the Secretary- General (S/2012/42) Letter dated 8 Feb. 2012 from Togo (S/2012/83)	21 Feb. 2012	Togo	S/2012/83 S/PV.6717 +Resumption 1	S/PRST/2012/2
Impact of the Libyan crisis on the Sahel zone	26 Jan. 2012	South Africa	S/2012/42 S/PV.6709	

Sierra Leone	no listed sub-item	18 Jul. 2002	United Kingdom	S/PV.4577 +Resumption 1	
Zambia	Briefing by His Excellency Mr. Frederick J. T. Chiluba, President of the Republic of Zambia	21 Sep. 1999	Netherlands	S/PV.4047	
Zimbabwe	no listed sub-item	15 Dec. 2008	Croatia	S/PV.6044	
	no listed sub-item	11 Jul. 2008	Viet Nam	S/PV.5933	Draft res. S/2008/447 vetoed by China and Russia
	no listed sub-item	8 Jul. 2008	Viet Nam	S/PV.5929	
	Letter dated 18 June 2008 from Belgium (S/2008/407)	23 Jun. 2008	United States	S/PV.5921	S/PRST/2008/23
	no listed sub-item	23 Jun. 2008	United States	S/PV.5920	
	Letter dated 18 June 2008 from Belgium (S/2008/407)	23 Jun. 2008	United States	S/PV.5919	

2) Thematic topics

General topic	Specific issue	Date	Council President	Concept paper/ Meeting records	Outcome adopted (if any)
Conflict prevention and resolution	The centrality of preventative diplomacy, conflict prevention and resolution	7 Oct. 2019	South Africa	S/2019/786 S/PV.8633	
	Prevention of conflicts in Africa: Addressing the root causes	15 Apr. 2013	Rwanda	S/2013/204 S/PV.6946	S/PRST/2013/4

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	Letter dated 8 Apr. 2008 from South Africa (S/2008/229) Report of the Secretary-General on the relationship between the United Nations and regional organizations, in particular the African Union, in the maintenance of international peace and security (S/2008/186) Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of Security Council resolution 1625 (2005) on conflict prevention, particularly in Africa (S/2008/18)	16 Apr. 2008	South Africa	S/2008/229 S/PV.5868 +Resumption 1	S/RES/1809 (2008)
	Ad hoc Working Group on Conflict Prevention and Resolution in Africa	22 May 2002	Singapore	S/PV.4538 +Resumption 1	
	Letter dated 10 Jan. 2002 from Mauritius (S/2002/46)	31 Jan. 2002	Mauritius	S/2002/46 S/PV.4465	S/PRST/2002/2
	Letter dated 10 Jan. 2002 from Mauritius (S/2002/46)	29 + 30 Jan. 2002	Mauritius	S/2002/46 S/PV.4460 + 2 Resumptions	
	Progress report on the implementation of the recommendations contained in the report on the causes of conflict and the promotion of durable peace and sustainable development in Africa (S/1999/1008)	29 + 30 Sep. 1999	Netherlands	S/1999/1008 S/PV.4049 +3 Resumptions	
	Report of the Secretary-General on the causes of conflict and the promotion of durable peace and sustainable development in Africa (S/1998/318)	30 Nov. 1998	United States	S/PV.3950	S/PRST/1998/35
	Report of the Secretary-General on the causes of conflict and the promotion of durable peace and sustainable development in Africa (S/1998/318)	19 Nov. 1998	United States	S/PV.3945	S/RES/1209 (1998) S/RES/1208 (1998)
	Report of the Secretary-General on the causes of conflict and the promotion of durable peace and	24 Sep. 1998	Sweden	S/PV.3931	S/PRST/1998/29

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	sustainable development in Africa (S/1998/318)				
	Report of the Secretary-General on the causes of conflict and the promotion of durable peace and sustainable development in Africa (S/1998/318)	18 Sep. 1998	Sweden	S/PV.3928	S/RES/1197 (1998)
	Report of the Secretary-General on the causes of conflict and the promotion of durable peace and sustainable development in Africa (S/1998/318)	16 Sep. 1998	Sweden	S/PV.3927	S/RES/1196 (1998) S/PRST/1998/28
	Report of the Secretary-General (S/1998/318)	16 Ap. 1998	Japan	S/PV.3871	
Cooperation of UN and regional organizations	Briefing by the Head of the United Nations Office to the African Union (UNOAU)	21 Jun. 2011	Gabon	S/PV.6561	
	Report of the Secretary-General on support to African Union peacekeeping operations authorized by the United Nations (S/2010/514)	22 Oct. 2010	Uganda	S/PV.6409	S/PRST/2010/21
	Report of the Secretary-General on support to African Union peacekeeping operations authorized by the United Nations (S/2009/470)	26 Oct. 2009	Viet Nam	S/PV.6206	S/PRST/2009/26
	no listed sub-item	5 May 2009	Russia	S/PV.6118	S/PRST/2009/11
	Letter dated 24 Dec. 2008 from the Secretary-General (A/63/666-S/2008/813)	18 Mar. 2009	Libya	S/PV.6092 + Resumption 1	S/PRST/2009/3
	Letter dated 19 Sept. 2007 from France (S/2007/552)	25 Sept. 2007	France	S/2007/552 S/PV.5749	
	Letter dated 19 Sept. 2007 from France (S/2007/552)	25 Sept. 2007	France	S/2007/552 S/PV.5749	
	Briefing by the President of Nigeria and current Chairman of the African Union	24 Sept. 2004	Spain	S/PV.5043	

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	no listed sub-item	15 Dec. 1999	United Kingdom	S/PV.4081 +Resumption 1	
Crime	The impact of transnational organized crime on peace, security and stability in West Africa and the Sahel region Letter dated 17 Jan. 2012 from the Secretary-General (S/2012/42) Letter dated 8 Feb. 2012 from Togo (S/2012/83)	21 Feb. 2012	Togo	S/2012/83 S/PV.6717 +Resumption 1	S/PRST/2012/2
Drug trafficking	Drug trafficking in West Africa as a threat to stability	19 Dec. 2018	Côte d'Ivoire	S/PV.8433	
	Combating drug trafficking in the Sahel and in West Africa	18 Dec. 2013	France	S/2013/728 S/PV.7090	S/PRST/2013/22
	Drug trafficking as a threat to international security Letter dated 30 Nov. 2009 from Burkina Faso (S/2009/615)	8 Dec. 2009	Burkina Faso	S/2009/615 S/PV.6233 (+Resumption)	S/PRST/2009/32
Humanitarian aid	Briefing by the Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and Emergency Relief Coordinator	4 Apr. 2007	United Kingdom	S/PV.5655	
	Briefing by the Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and Emergency Relief Coordinator	22 Nov. 2006	Peru	S/PV.5571	
	Briefing by the Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and Emergency Relief Coordinator	15 Sept. 2006	Greece	S/PV.5525	
	Briefing by the Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and Emergency Relief Coordinator	19 Dec. 2005	United Kingdom	S/PV.5331	
Pandemics	no listed sub-item	19 May 2021	China	S/2021/490	S/PRST/2021/10
	no listed sub-item	2 Aug. 2019	Poland	S/PV.8590	S/PRST/2019/6
	no listed sub-item	30 Oct. 2018	Bolivia	S/PV.8385	S/RES/2439 (2018)

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	The global response to the 2013 Ebola virus disease outbreak Letter dated 5 Aug. 2015 from Nigeria (S/2015/600)	13 Aug. 2015	Nigeria	S/PV.7502	
	no listed sub-item	21 Nov. 2014	Australia	S/PV.7318	S/PRST/2014/24
	no listed sub-item	14 Oct. 2014	Argentina	S/PV.7279	
	no listed sub-item	18 Sept. 2014	United States	S/PV.7268	S/RES/2177 (2014)
	Letter dated 11 Sept. 2008 from the Secretary-General (S/2008/602)	14 Jan. 2009	France	S/PV.6065	S/RES/1862 (2009)
	Note verbale dated 3 Oct. 2008 from Djibouti (S/2008/635)	23 Oct. 2008	China	S/PV.6000	
	no listed sub-item	31 Jan 2000	United States	S/PV.4096	
Peace and security	Partnership to strengthen regional peace and security	26 Sept. 2019	Russia	S/2019/743 S/PV.8627	
	Enhancing African capacities in the areas of peace and security	19 Jul. 2017	China	S/2018/574 S/PV.8006 +Resumption 1	
	Report of the Secretary-General (S/1998/318)	28 May 1998	Kenya	S/PV.3886	S/RES/1170 (1998)
	Report of the Secretary-General (S/1998/318)	24 Apr. 1998	Japan	S/PV.3875 + Resumption 1	
Peacekeeping operations	Strengthening peacekeeping operations in Africa	20 Nov. 2018	China	S/2018/1004 S/PV.8407	
	Briefing by the Head of the United Nations Office to the African Union (UNOAU)	21 Jun. 2011	Gabon	S/PV.6561	

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	Report of the Secretary-General on support to African Union peacekeeping operations authorized by the United Nations (S/2010/514)	22 Oct. 2010	Uganda	S/PV.6409	S/PRST/2010/21
	Report of the Secretary-General on support to African Union peacekeeping operations authorized by the United Nations (S/2009/470)	26 Oct. 2009	Viet Nam	S/PV.6206	S/PRST/2009/26
Piracy	Gulf of Guinea	31 Oct. 2011	Nigeria	S/PV.6645	S/RES/2018 (2011)
	Gulf of Guinea	19 Oct. 2011	Nigeria	S/2011/644 S/PV.6633	
Terrorism	Countering terrorism and extremism in Africa Letter dated 26 Feb. 2020 from China (S/2020/161)	11 Mar. 2020	China	S/2020/161 S/PV.8743	S/PRST/2020/5
	Intercommunal violence and terrorism in West Africa	16 Dec. 2019	United States	S/PV.8685	
	no listed sub-item	15 Aug. 2017	Egypt	S/PV.8024	
	no listed sub-item	21 Jun. 2017	Bolivia	S/PV.7979	S/RES/2359 (2017)
	The challenges of the fight against terrorism in Africa in the context of maintaining international peace and security	13 May 2013	Togo	S/2013/264 S/PV.6965	S/PRST/2013/5
Women and peace and	no listed sub-item	10 Jul. 2018	Sweden	S/PV.8306	
security in the Sahel	no listed sub-item	10 Aug. 2017	Egypt	S/PV.8022	
Youth	no listed sub-item	12. Dec 2019	United States	S/PV.8683	S/PRST/2019/15
	Mobilizing Youth towards silencing the guns by 2020 Letter dated 30 Sept. 2019 from South Africa (S/2019/779)	2 Oct. 2019	South Africa	S/2019/779 S/PV.8629	