

Acknowledged that the delay in reimbursement placed severe budgetary constraints upon troop-contributing countries; urged all Member States to pay their assessed contributions in full and on time;

Decided to establish a Working Group of the Whole on United Nations peacekeeping operations, which would address both generic peacekeeping issues relevant to the responsibilities of the Council, and technical aspects of individual peacekeeping operations.

**Decision of 13 June 2001 (4326th meeting):  
resolution 1353 (2001)**

At its 4326th meeting,<sup>43</sup> on 13 June 2001, the Council included in its agenda a letter dated 31 May 2001 from the Chairman of the Security Council Working Group on Peacekeeping Operations addressed to the President of the Council,<sup>44</sup> transmitting the first report of the Working Group, which examined the relationship between the Council, troop-contributing countries and the Secretariat.

At the meeting, at which no statements were made, the President (Bangladesh) drew the attention of the Council to a letter from the representatives of Argentina, Canada, Ghana, India, Jordan, the

Netherlands and New Zealand addressed to the President, providing thoughts on implementing the concept of a mission-specific cooperative management committee as a way of improving cooperation between the Council and troop-contributing countries.<sup>45</sup>

The President also drew the attention of the Council to a draft resolution;<sup>46</sup> it was put to the vote and adopted unanimously and without debate as resolution 1353 (2001), by which the Council, *inter alia*:

Agreed to adopt the decisions and recommendations contained in the annexes to the resolution;

Requested its Working Group on Peacekeeping Operations to continue its work on strengthening the capacity of the United Nations to establish and support efficient and effective peacekeeping operations;

Undertook to follow closely the implementation of the agreed measures for cooperation with troop-contributing countries, and requested its Working Group to assess within six months of the adoption of the resolution the efficiency and effectiveness of the agreed measures, to consider their further improvement taking into account the proposals of the troop-contributing countries and to report to the Council on those matters.

<sup>43</sup> For more information on the discussion at this meeting, see chap. VI, part VI, case 20, with regard to relations with the Military Staff Committee.

<sup>44</sup> S/2001/546, submitted pursuant to the presidential statement of 31 January 2001 (S/PRST/2011/3).

<sup>45</sup> S/2001/535.

<sup>46</sup> S/2001/573.

## C. Security Council Working Group on Peacekeeping Operations

### Initial proceedings

**Decision of 14 January 2002 (4447th meeting): note by the President  
of the Council**

By a letter dated 31 December 2001 addressed to the President of the Security Council, the Chairman of the Security Council Working Group on Peacekeeping Operations transmitted the third report of the Working Group and, annexed to the report, a draft note by the President of the Council on an agreement to convene joint meetings of the Working Group and troop-contributing countries as an additional mechanism for strengthening cooperation with those countries on specific peacekeeping operations.<sup>47</sup>

At its 4447th meeting, held in private on 14 January 2002, the Council considered the above-mentioned report. At the meeting, the Council heard a briefing by Mr. Curtis Ward, the former Chairman of the Working Group. Members of the Council also made comments and asked questions in connection with the briefing. The members of the Council approved a note by the President of the Council.<sup>48</sup>

<sup>47</sup> S/2001/1335.

<sup>48</sup> S/2002/56.