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Security Council

- **Meetings in 2019**: 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:
  o Security Council rejects two draft resolutions on situation in Syria amid divisions over Idlib truce, armed groups (SC/13956, 19 September 2019):

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  Meeting records, press releases and resolutions:
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  o Following air strikes against suspected chemical weapons sites in Syria, Security Council rejects proposal to condemn aggression (SC/13296, 14 April 2018):
  o Following three draft texts on chemical weapons attack in Syria, Security Council fails to agree upon independent investigative mechanism (SC/13288, 10 April 2018):
  o Procedural vote blocks holding of Security Council Meeting on Human Rights Situation in Syria, Briefing by High Commissioner (SC/13255, 19 March 2018):
  o 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):

- **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
  Meeting records, press releases and resolutions:
  http://research.un.org/en/docs/sc/quick/meetings/2017
  o 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):
  o 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):


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**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; 26 March - 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 (Meeting records, press releases and resolutions)
- 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:

  ➢ Earlier reports: [link](https://un4.me/2LzBlBM) and [link](https://www.opcw.org/documents-related-syria)

  *Other Title: Progress in the Elimination of the Syrian chemical weapons programme.  
  Transmits 70th 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 June-23 July 2019.*  
  ➢ Earlier reports: [link](https://un4.me/2LzBlBM) and [link](https://www.opcw.org/documents-related-syria)


  Transmits joint statement on the international meeting on Syria, held in Sochi, Russia Federation, 14 Feb. 2019


  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.


  on humanitarian situation in the Syrian Arab Republic and renewal of authorization of relief delivery and monitoring mechanism until 10 Jan. 2020

  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.


  Transmits joint statement on the international meeting on Syria, held in Astana, 28-29 Nov. 2018.


  Prepared pursuant to Security Council resolution 1612 (2005) and subsequent resolutions; covers the period from 16 Nov. 2013-30 June 2018.


  Transmits joint statement issued at the quadrilateral summit on Syria, held in Istanbul, Turkey, 27-28 Oct. 2018.


  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.


  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.


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:

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

- S/2018/355 (14 April 2018): Russian Federation: draft resolution:

- S/2018/333 (12 April 2018): Letter dated 11 April 2018 from the Secretary-General

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:

on use of chemical weapons in the Syrian Arab Republic

- S/2018/321 (10 April 2018): Albania, Australia, Bulgaría, 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

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:
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on establishment of the UN Independent Mechanism of Investigation (UNIMI) to investigate the use of
chemical weapons in the Syrian Arab Republic

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

Expresses concern about the alleged lack of implementation of Security Council resolution 2401


on cessation of hostilities to enable humanitarian aid delivery in the Syrian Arab Republic


renewing the authorization for cross-border and conflict-line humanitarian access to Syria for a
further 12 months, until 10 January 2019

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

- S/2017/970 (17 November 2017): Japan: draft resolution:
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- S/2017/968 (16 November 2017): Plurinational State of Bolivia: draft resolution:
http://undocs.org/S/2017/968

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

- 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


Earlier reports:


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 16 September 2016, as reported in the note verbale of the Syrian Arab Republic, number 113, dated 29 November 2016".


on establishment of a ceasefire in the Syrian Arab Republic


Transmits documents concerning the establishment of a ceasefire in the Syrian Arab Republic.


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.


on the humanitarian situation in the Syrian Arab Republic and renewal of authorization of relief delivery and monitoring mechanism until 18 Jan. 2018


on humanitarian evacuations in Aleppo, Syrian Arab Republic


extended the mandate of the United Nations-Organisation for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (OPCW) Joint Investigative Mechanism for an additional year


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/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.


- General Assembly -

  - The Secretary-General announced his decision to conduct an investigation into the alleged use of chemical weapons in the Syrian Arab Republic
  - Updates the Council on the implementation of the Security Council resolution 2059 (2012) and the situation in Syria since the 2 Aug. 2012 briefing by the Under-Secretary-General for Peacekeeping Operations.
  - on the renewal of the mandate of UNSMIS for a final period of 30 days
  - Annex (p.18-22): “Final communiqué of the Action Group for Syria”
  - on the establishment of a UN Supervision Mission in Syria (UNSMIS)
  - Provides a background to the crisis in the Syrian Arab Republic and outlines a proposal for a UN Supervision Mission in the Syrian Arab Republic (UNSMIS) for an initial period of 3 months; recommends that the Security Council authorize UNSMIS, with the understanding that the Secretary-General consider relevant developments on the ground, including the consolidation of the cessation of the violence, in deciding on deployments.
  - on authorization of the deployment of an advance team of up to 30 unarmed military observers to Syria Arab Republic
  - Includes text of the initial six-point proposal submitted to the Syrian authorities, as outlined by the Joint Special Envoy for the United Nations and the League of Arab States, Kofi Annan, to the Security Council on 16 March 2012
- S/2012/77 (4 February 2012): Bahrain, Colombia, Egypt, France, Germany, Jordan, Kuwait, Libya, Morocco, Oman, Portugal, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Togo, Tunisia, Turkey, United Arab Emirates, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and United States of America: draft resolution: [http://undocs.org/S/2012/77](http://undocs.org/S/2012/77)
- Further documents: [https://un4.me/2VmMpnd](https://un4.me/2VmMpnd)

**General Assembly**

  - Transmit the 3rd report of the Mechanism pursuant to General Assembly resolution 71/248 and para. 50 of the report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the resolution establishing the Mechanism (A/71/755); covers activities of the Mechanism during the period from 1 Aug. 2018-31 Jan. 2019.
Submission pursuant to General Assembly resolution 71/248 and para. 50 of the report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the resolution establishing the Mechanism (A/71/755).

Outlines progress made in the operationalization of the Mechanism, notably in terms of administrative set-up and fundraising.


• General Assembly takes action on Second Committee reports by adopting 37 texts; Resolution establishing international mechanism concerning Syria passed in direct plenary action (GA/11880, 21 December 2016):

• General Assembly demands immediate end to hostilities in Syria, as speakers decry Security Council’s continuing impotence (GA/11871, 9 December 2016):
  o A/RES/71/130: The situation in the Syrian Arab Republic http://undocs.org/A/RES/71/130


• A/RES/70/234: Situation of human rights in the Syrian Arab Republic:
  http://undocs.org/A/RES/70/234


• General Assembly adopts text condemning violence in Syria, demanding that all sides end hostilities (GA/11372, 15 May 2013):

http://undocs.org/A/RES/67/183

General Assembly, in resolution, demands all in Syria ‘immediately and visibly’ commit to ending violence that Secretary-General says is ripping country apart (GA/11266, 3 August 2012):

A/RES/66/253 B: The situation in the Syrian Arab Republic
http://undocs.org/A/RES/66/253 B

A/66/889 (21 August 2012): Implementation of General Assembly resolution 66/253 B on the situation in the Syrian Arab Republic; Report of the Secretary-General:
http://undocs.org/A/66/889

Informal meeting of the Plenary on the Situation in the Syrian Arab Republic - 7 June 2012:

General Assembly adopts resolution strongly condemning ‘widespread and systematic’ human rights violations by Syrian authorities; Text passes by 137 votes in favour to 12 against, with 17 abstentions (GA/11207, 16 February 2012):

General Assembly to discuss latest developments in Syria (UN News Centre Story, 10 February 2012):
https://un4.me/2Erkt9R

General Assembly adopts more than 60 resolutions recommended by Third Committee, including text condemning grave, systematic human rights violations in Syria (GA/11198, 19 December 2011):

Human Rights Council

Independent International Commission of Inquiry on the Syrian Arab Republic:

Statement by Mr. Paulo Sérgio Pinheiro, Chair of the Independent International Commission of Inquiry on the Syrian Arab Republic, 42nd Session of the UN Human Rights Council, Geneva, 17 September 2019:

Escalating violence and waves of displacement continue to torment civilians during eighth year of Syrian conflict (11 September 2019):

Statement by Mr. Paulo Sérgio Pinheiro, Chair of the Independent International Commission of Inquiry on the Syrian Arab Republic at the 41st Session of the UN Human Rights Council, Geneva, 2 July 2019:

UN Commission of Inquiry on Syria: Urgent steps needed to prevent outright catastrophe in north-western Syria (9 May 2019):

UN Commission of Inquiry on Syria: Respect for the rule of law and fundamental rights must not be undermined for political expediency or sacrificed for security considerations (9 May 2019):

UN Commission of Inquiry on Syria: Continued hostilities and lawlessness countrywide render safe and sustainable returns impossible (28 February 2019):

UN Commission of Inquiry on Syria stresses the need to account for the fate and whereabouts of detained and missing individuals countrywide (28 November 2018):


37th session of the Human Rights Council - Urgent Debate on situation in Eastern Ghouta


Almost five years on, Syria is a country destroyed with civilians paying the biggest price: UN Commission of Inquiry on Syria (22 February 2016): http://www.ohchr.org/EN/NewsEvents/Pages/DisplayNews.aspx?NewsID=17078


• 19th special session on the "deteriorating human rights situation in the Syrian Arab Republic and the recent killings in El-Houleh" - 1 June 2012: http://www.ohchr.org/EN/HRBodies/HRC/SpecialSessions/Session19/Pages/19thSpecialSession.aspx
• Urgent Debate on the Human Rights and Humanitarian Situation in Syria (28 February - 1 March 2012)
  o The Human Rights Council calls on the Syrian Government to immediately end attacks on civilians: http://www.ohchr.org/EN/NewsEvents/Pages/TheHRCallsSyrianGovernmenttoimmediatelyendattacksoncivilians.aspx
  o The Human Rights Council holds an urgent debate on Syria: http://www.ohchr.org/EN/NewsEvents/Pages/TheHRCholdsanurgentdebateonSyria.aspx
• 18th special session on the human rights situation in the Syrian Arab Republic - 2 December 2011: http://www.ohchr.org/EN/HRBodies/HRC/SpecialSessions/Session18/Pages/18thSpecialSession.aspx
• 16th Special Session on the “Situation of human rights in the Syrian Arab Republic” - 29 April 2011: http://www.ohchr.org/EN/HRBodies/HRC/SpecialSessions/Session16/Pages/16thSpecialSession.aspx

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http://undocs.org/A/HRC/36/55


http://undocs.org/A/HRC/RES/35/26


http://undocs.org/A/HRC/35/15

Panel held on 14 Mar. 2017, pursuant to Human Rights Council resolution 33/23


http://undocs.org/A/HRC/RES/34/26


http://undocs.org/A/HRC/34/64


http://undocs.org/A/HRC/RES/S-25/1


http://undocs.org/A/HRC/RES/33/23


http://undocs.org/A/HRC/33/55


http://undocs.org/A/HRC/RES/32/25


Examines the killing of detainees occurring between 10 March 2011 and 30 November 2015. Includes maps of selected Government detention centres where deaths in custody have been documented.


Covers the period 15 Mar.-15 June 2015.


Q & A on the 8th report: [Link](http://www.ohchr.org/Documents/HRBodies/HRCouncil/ColSyria/Syria_Public_Q_A_August2014.doc)


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Oral Update of the independent international commission of inquiry on the Syrian Arab Republic (18 March 2014): [Link to document]


Without a Trace: Enforced Disappearances in Syria (19 December 2013): [Link to document]


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Contains information on relevant developments up until 20 July 2012; a summary of information submitted by Syria in notes verbales addressed to OHCHR during the reporting period; information on measures and actions taken by relevant international stakeholders.


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Presents findings based on investigations conducted until 20 July 2012.


Contains information on recent developments on the ground until 11 May 2012, a summary of information submitted by Syria to OHCHR in several notes verbales, as well as information on measures and actions taken by relevant international stakeholders.


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  - Syria: UN observer mission to end, to be replaced by liaison office, official says (16 August 2012): [https://un4.me/2sqeVv2](https://un4.me/2sqeVv2)

- **Organisation for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons – Syria and the OPCW**


- **OPCW-UN Joint Mission**

- **United Nations Department of Political and Peacebuilding Affairs (DPPA) – Special Envoy Syria**

- **United Nations Office for Disarmament Affairs (UNODA)**
  - Secretary-General's Mechanism for investigation of alleged use of chemical and biological weapons: [https://www.un.org/disarmament/wmd/secretary-general-mechanism/](https://www.un.org/disarmament/wmd/secretary-general-mechanism/)

- **Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights - Syrian Arab Republic**
  [http://www.ohchr.org/EN/countries/MENARegion/Pages/SYIndex.aspx](http://www.ohchr.org/EN/countries/MENARegion/Pages/SYIndex.aspx)

- **Office of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Sexual Violence in Conflict (SRSG-SVC) - Syrian Arab Republic**

- **United Nations Children’s Fund (UNICEF) - Syrian Arab Republic**
  - [http://childrenofsyria.info/](http://childrenofsyria.info/)
  - Hitting Rock Bottom - How 2016 became the worst year for Syria’s children: [http://weshare.unicef.org/Package/2AMZIFDMAU4](http://weshare.unicef.org/Package/2AMZIFDMAU4)

- **United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)**
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- United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia (UNESCWA)

- United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO)

- United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) – Syrian Arab Republic
  - http://www.unhcr.org/sy/
    - Searching for Syria: https://www.searchingsyria.org
    - Woman Alone: The fight for survival by Syria’s refugee women: http://womanalone.unhcr.org/
    - UNHCR: Syria conflict at five years (News Stories, 15 March 2016): http://www.unhcr.org/56e6e1b991.html

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  - http://www.unitar.org/unosat/maps/SYR
    - Four Years of Human Suffering – The Syria conflict as observed through satellite imagery (March 2015): http://un4.me/1MMooeK

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  - Syria Crisis: https://www.unocha.org/syria
  - The Syrian Crisis in Numbers: https://unocha.exposure.co/the-syria-crisis-in-numbers
  - ReliefWeb: Syrian Arab Republic (the): http://reliefweb.int/country/syr
  - The UN and partners plan to deliver humanitarian assistance to eastern Ghouta (4 March 2018): https://reliefweb.int/node/2494044
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  - Reporting on Gender-Based Violence in Syria Crisis: A Journalist's Handbook (March 2015):

- United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA) – Syria crisis
  http://www.unrwa.org/syria-crisis

- UN Women – UN Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women
  - "We Just Keep Silent": Gender-based Violence among Syrian refugees in the Kurdistan Region of Iraq:
    http://un4.me/1p8Fs3C
  - Conference of Syrian women, convened by UN Women and the Netherlands, ends with strong recommendations for upcoming peace talks (13 January 2014):

- World Food Programme (WFP)
  http://www.wfp.org/countries/syria
  - Syria Emergency:
    http://www1.wfp.org/emergencies/syria-emergency

- World Health Organization (WHO) – Syrian Arab Republic crisis
  https://www.who.int/emergencies/crises/syr/en/
  - 10 things you should know about the Syrian crisis:

- International Organization for Migration - IOM Response to the Syria Crisis:
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  - Crisis in Syria:
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- Assistant Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and Deputy Emergency Relief Coordinator, Ursula Mueller - Briefing to the Security Council on the humanitarian situation in Syria, 19 September 2019:
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- Board Investigating Events in North-West Syria to Begin Work 30 September, Secretary-General Says, Calling for Cooperation among Parties (SG/SM/19738, 13 September 2019):
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- 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):
• Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and Emergency Relief Coordinator Mark Lowcock - Briefing to the Security Council on the humanitarian situation in Syria, New York, 30 July 2019: https://reliefweb.int/node/3237689
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• Assistant Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and Deputy Emergency Relief Coordinator, Ursula Mueller - Briefing to the Security Council on the humanitarian situation in Syria, 28 May 2019: https://reliefweb.int/node/3147233
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• On behalf of the Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and Emergency Relief Coordinator, Mr. Mark Lowcock, UN OCHA Officer-in-Charge, Director of Advocacy and Operations, Mrs. Reena Ghelani, 26 February 2019: https://reliefweb.int/node/3011198/
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