Syrian Arab Republic

**News Focus: Syria**

**Intra-Syrian Peace Process**
[https://www.unog.ch/syria](https://www.unog.ch/syria)

**Intra-Syrian negotiations - Key dates of the peace process**
[https://un4.me/2mQVckv](https://un4.me/2mQVckv)

Pledging conference aims to raise funds as staggering levels of need persist for people throughout Syria (11 March 2019):
[https://un4.me/2UCP2Sm](https://un4.me/2UCP2Sm)

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

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

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

First Brussels Conference "Supporting the future of Syria and the region", 4-5 April 2017:

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](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](https://un4.me/2kzYROh)

Mediator’s Summary of the 13-27 April Round of UN Facilitated Intra-Syrian Talks (28 April 2016):
[https://un4.me/2DD2C3f](https://un4.me/2DD2C3f)

UN Special Envoy’s Paper on Points of Commonalities (24 March 2016):
[https://un4.me/2zNVbSd](https://un4.me/2zNVbSd)

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

Geneva Consultations on Syria – 2015:
[http://un4.me/1UpPigZ](http://un4.me/1UpPigZ)
Security Council

**Meetings in 2019:** 30, 24 April, 27 March, 28, 26 February, 30 January – The situation in the Middle East

**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


**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
[pdf](http://research.un.org/en/docs/sc/quick/meetings/2017)

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
  o Security Council fails to adopt draft resolution to end attacks on Aleppo as two permanent members cast veto (SC/12609, 5 December 2016):
  o Security Council fails to adopt two draft resolutions on Syria, despite appeals for action preventing impending humanitarian catastrophe in Aleppo (SC/12545, 8 October):

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

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
  o Referral of Syria to International Criminal Court fails as negative votes prevent Security Council from adopting draft resolution (SC/11407, 22 May 2014):

Meetings in 2013: 2 October, 27 September, 24 and 18 April, 26 February – The situation in the Middle East

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

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
(Meeting records, press releases and resolutions)

Resolutions and other selected documents:
      ➢ Earlier reports: https://un4.me/2V75DwL and https://www.opcw.org/documents-related-syria


- Earlier reports: https://un4.me/2MpMUsE

  Transmits joint statement on the international meeting on Syria, held in Sochi, Russian 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

  Transmits joint statement on the international meeting on Syria, held on 21 Dec. 2018.
  Transmits memorandum on the stabilization of the 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 issued at the quadrilateral summit 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 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.


  Submitted pursuant to para. 5 of Security Council resolution 2393 (2017).


  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.
on use of chemical weapons in the Syrian Arab Republic

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

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

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


Other Title: Report of the OPCW Fact-Finding Mission in Syria regarding an alleged incident in Khan Shaykhun, Syrian Arab Republic, April 2017
   ➢ Earlier reports: https://un4.me/2VN6oPZ
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".
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.
➢ 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
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
extended the mandate of the United Nations-Organisation for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (OPCW) Joint Investigative Mechanism until 18 November
➢ 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
The Secretary addressed to the President of the Security Council

S/2013/184
Allegations of the Use of Chemical Weapons in the Syrian Arab Republic.
Includes letter of transmittal of the report dated 13 Sept. 2013 from the UN Mission to Investigate

Alleged use of chemical weapons in the Ghouta area of Damascus on 21 August 2013:

Investigate Allegations of the Use of Chemical Weapons in the Syrian Arab Republic on the

A/67/997
on the use of chemical weapons in the Syrian Arab Republic

S/RES/2118
on renewal of the decisions in paragraphs 2 and 3 of Security Council resolution 2165 (2014)


o 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)

on the humanitarian situation in the Syrian Arab Republic


A/68/663
on the humanitarian situation in the Syrian Arab Republic and the establishment of a monitoring
mechanism

S/RES/2139 (22 February 2014):

Transmits report entitled “A report into the credibility of certain evidence with regard to torture and
execution of persons incarcerated by the current Syrian regime”, prepared by a commission of inquiry
consisting of legal, medical and medical imaging experts

on the humanitarian situation in the Syrian Arab Republic


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Transmits the final report of the UN Mission to Investigate Allegations of the Use of Chemical Weapons in the Syrian Arab Republic; includes 11 appendices.


Transmits proposal of the Secretary-General outlining his plans for a Joint Mission with the
Organisation for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (OPCW)

S/PRST/2013/15 (2 October 2013): Statement by the President of the Security Council:
"The situation in the Middle East": http://undocs.org/S/PRST/2013/15

Transmits decision of the Executive Council of the Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical
Weapons entitled "Decision on destruction of Syrian chemical weapons"

on the use of chemical weapons in the Syrian Arab Republic


The Secretary-General announced his decision to conduct an investigation into the alleged use of chemical weapons in the Syrian Arab Republic


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

Further documents: https://un4.me/2VmMpnd

General Assembly


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

  

  

  

  


  

  
  

  

  
  

  o [A/RES/66/253](http://undocs.org/A/RES/66/253): The situation in the Syrian Arab Republic
• General Assembly to discuss latest developments in Syria (UN News Centre Story, 10 February 2012): [https://un4.me/2Erkt9R](https://un4.me/2Erkt9R)

Human Rights Council

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


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](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)
• 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](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](http://www.ohchr.org/EN/HRBodies/HRC/SpecialSessions/Session16/Pages/16thSpecialSession.aspx)

**Selected documents**


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


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.
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  Informs that the report of the Special Rapporteur on the human rights of internally displaced persons to the GA is contained in (A/67/931).


- 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.


  http://undocs.org/A/HRC/RES/S-18/1
  Includes 6 communications sent by the Commission of Inquiry to the Syrian Government and 2 replies received (annexes 2-7).
  http://undocs.org/A/HRC/18/53
  Covers the period 15 Mar.-15 June 2011.
  http://undocs.org/A/HRC/RES/S-16/1

UN Entities

- **United Nations Supervision Mission in Syria (UNSMIS)** (until 19 August 2012)
  https://peacekeeping.un.org/mission/past/unsmis/
  - Syria: UN observer mission to end, to be replaced by liaison office, official says (16 August 2012): https://un4.me/2sgeVv2

- **Organisation for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons – Syria and the OPCW**
  https://www.opcw.org/media-centre/featured-topics/syria-and-opcw

- **OPCW-UN Joint Mission**
  http://opcw.unmissions.org/

- **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/
  - Frequently Asked Questions about the United Nations Mission to Investigate the Allegations of the Use of Chemical Weapons in the Syrian Arab Republic:
- Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights - Syrian Arab Republic
  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://www.unicef.org/infobycountry/syria.html
  - Hitting Rock Bottom - How 2016 became the worst year for Syria’s children: http://weshare.unicef.org/Package/2AMZIFDMAU4

- United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)
  - UNDP in Syria: http://www.sy.undp.org/
  - Response to the Syria Crisis:
    http://www.arabstates.undp.org/content/rbas/en/home/ourwork/SyriaCrisis/Overview.html
  - Regional Refugee and Resilience Plans:
    http://www.arabstates.undp.org/content/rbas/en/home/ourwork/SyriaCrisis/Overview.html

- United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia (UNESCWA)

- United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO)
  - Syria Crisis Response (Observatory of Syrian Heritage, Bridging learning gaps):

- United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) – Syrian Arab Republic
  http://www.unhcr.org/sy/
  - Searching for Syria: https://www.searchingsyria.org
  - Pathways for admission of Syrian Refugees:
  - As war enters 7th year, UNHCR warns Syria is ‘at a crossroads’ (9 March 2017):
  - Conference 30 March 2016: Global Responsibility for Syrian Refugees:
    http:// unhcr.org/pathways2016/
  - Syria Regional Refugee Response - Inter-agency Information Sharing Portal:
    http://data.unhcr.org/syrianrefugees/regional.php
  - Woman Alone: The fight for survival by Syria’s refugee women: http://womanalone.unhcr.org/
More than four million Syrians have now fled war and persecution (News Stories, 9 July 2015): http://www.unhcr.org/559d648a9.html

UNHCR: Syria conflict at five years (News Stories, 15 March 2016): http://www.unhcr.org/56e6e1b991.html


United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) - Operational Satellite Applications Programme (UNOSAT) – Maps: Syria 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/1MMoeoK

United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA)

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


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://up4.me/1p8F53C


World Food Programme (WFP)

Syria Emergency: http://www1.wfp.org/emergencies/syria-emergency


10 things you should know about the Syrian crisis: http://www.who.int/hac/crises/syr/10-things/mobile-version/en/

International Organization for Migration - IOM Response to the Syria Crisis: http://www.iom.int/countries/syria


Selected Statements and Speeches by UN Officials

- **United Nations Volunteers (UNV)**


- Press statements and briefing transcripts by the Special Envoy of the Secretary-General for Syria: [https://un4.me/2TIOUtO](https://un4.me/2TIOUtO)
- Assistant Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and Deputy Emergency Relief Coordinator, Ursula Mueller - Briefing to the Security Council on the humanitarian situation in Syria, 24 April 2019: [https://reliefweb.int/node/3097058](https://reliefweb.int/node/3097058)
- Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and Emergency Relief Coordinator, Mark Lowcock: Opening remarks at the 2019 Brussels Conference on Supporting the future of Syria and the region Brussels, 14 March 2019: [https://reliefweb.int/node/3034888](https://reliefweb.int/node/3034888)
- 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/](https://reliefweb.int/node/3011198/)
- Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and Emergency Relief Coordinator, Mark Lowcock, Briefing to the Security Council on the humanitarian situation in Syria, 30 January 2019: [https://reliefweb.int/node/2972643](https://reliefweb.int/node/2972643)
- Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and Emergency Relief Coordinator, Mark Lowcock, Briefing to the Security Council on the humanitarian situation in Syria, 13 December 2018: [https://reliefweb.int/node/2915158](https://reliefweb.int/node/2915158)
- Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and Emergency Relief Coordinator, Mark Lowcock, Briefing to the Security Council on the Humanitarian Situation in Syria, 29 October 2018: [https://reliefweb.int/node/2851558](https://reliefweb.int/node/2851558)
- Transcript of Joint Press Stakeout by UN Special Envoy for Syria, Staffan de Mistura, and Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and Emergency Relief Coordinator, Mark Lowcock, Following Security Council Briefing, 18 September 2018: [https://reliefweb.int/node/2793939](https://reliefweb.int/node/2793939)
- Briefing to the Security Council on the Humanitarian Situation in Syria by the Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and Emergency Relief Coordinator, Mr. Mark Lowcock, 18 September 2018: [https://reliefweb.int/node/2791809](https://reliefweb.int/node/2791809)
• Briefing to the Security Council on the Humanitarian Situation in Syria by the Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and Emergency Relief Coordinator, Mr. Mark Lowcock (27 July 2018): [https://reliefweb.int/node/2717984](https://reliefweb.int/node/2717984)
• On behalf of Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and Emergency Relief Coordinator Mark Lowcock, UN OCHA Officer-in-Charge, Director of Operations and Advocacy, John Ging: Briefing to the Security Council on the humanitarian situation in Syria (27 June 2018): [https://reliefweb.int/node/2672439](https://reliefweb.int/node/2672439)
• Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and Emergency Relief Coordinator, Mark Lowcock, Briefing to the Security Council on the humanitarian situation in Syria, 29 May 2018: [https://reliefweb.int/node/2627259](https://reliefweb.int/node/2627259)
• Assistant Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and Deputy Emergency Relief Coordinator, Ms. Ursula Mueller: Statement to the Security Council on Syria, 25 April 2018: [https://reliefweb.int/node/2574214](https://reliefweb.int/node/2574214)
• Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and Emergency Relief Coordinator, Mr. Mark Lowcock - Remarks at the opening of 'Supporting the future of Syria and the region', Brussels II Conference, 25 April 2018: [https://reliefweb.int/node/2573064](https://reliefweb.int/node/2573064)
• Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and Emergency Relief Coordinator, Mr. Mark Lowcock Opening Remarks at the 'Supporting the future of Syria and the region', Brussels II, 24 April 2018: [https://reliefweb.int/node/2571604](https://reliefweb.int/node/2571604)
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• Secretary-General voices deep concern over renewed violence in Douma, Syria, stressing that chemical weapons use, if confirmed, requires investigation (SG/SM/18978, 8 April 2018): https://www.un.org/press/en/2018/sgsm18978.doc.htm

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• Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and Emergency Relief Coordinator, Mark Lowcock: Statement to the media on first visit to Syria - Damascus, 11 January 2018: https://reliefweb.int/node/2411749
• Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and Emergency Relief Coordinator, Mark Lowcock: Statement to the Security Council on the humanitarian situation in Syria, 19 December 2017: https://un4.me/2BKg2Sm
• Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and Emergency Relief Coordinator Mark Lowcock - Statement to the Security Council on the humanitarian situation in Syria, 29 November 2017: https://un4.me/2kp70kq
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• Statement by Adama Dieng, United Nations Special Adviser on the Prevention of Genocide, on the situation in Raqqah, Syrian Arab Republic (30 August 2017): https://un4.me/2yk0FpN
• Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and Emergency Relief Coordinator, Stephen O’Brien - Statement to the Security Council on Syria, 30 May 2017: https://un4.me/2sNmuGF
• Secretary-General, encouraged by agreement on de-escalating violence in Syria, stresses need to see it actually improve lives of citizens (SG/SM/18511, 4 May 2017): http://www.un.org/press/en/2017/sgsm18511.doc.htm

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• Success in fighting terrorism will be fleeting without political solution to Syria crisis, Secretary-General tells Brussels Conference (SG/SM/18485, 5 April 2017): http://www.un.org/press/en/2017/sgsm18485.doc.htm


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- Statement by UNICEF Syria Representative, Hanaa Singer, on the deteriorating situation for children in Aleppo and across the country, 7 December 2016: https://www.unicef.org/media/media_93856.html
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