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Statement by the President of the Security Council

At the 10129th meeting of the Security Council, held on 2 April 2026, in connection with the Council's consideration of the item entitled "Cooperation between the United Nations and regional and subregional organizations in maintaining international peace and security: League of Arab States", the President of the Security Council made the following statement on behalf of the Council:

The Security Council reaffirms its primary responsibility for the maintenance of international peace and security.

The Security Council recalls all its previous resolutions and presidential statements on this agenda item.

The Security Council expresses its appreciation for the briefings of Assistant Secretary-General Mohamed Khaled Khiari and the Secretary-General of the League of Arab States, Ahmed Aboul Gheit, on 2 April 2026 and reiterates that cooperation with regional and sub-regional organizations in matters relating to the maintenance of peace and security, and consistent with Chapter VIII of the Charter, is significant to improve collective security.

The Security Council recognizes that regional organizations are well positioned to understand the context of regional armed conflicts owing to their knowledge of the region which can be of benefit for their efforts to influence the prevention or resolution of these conflicts. The Council recognizes and further encourages efforts by the League of Arab States and its member states to contribute to collective endeavours to settle conflicts in the Arab region by peaceful means, and reaffirms its strong commitment to the purposes and principles of the Charter of the United Nations.

The Security Council notes that the United Nations and the League of Arab States share common objectives in promoting and facilitating the resolution of conflicts in the Arab region consistent with the Charter of the United Nations and relevant resolutions of the Security Council, and expresses its support for international and regional initiatives to that end.

The Security Council acknowledges efforts to strengthen strategic cooperation and coordination between the United Nations and regional and subregional organizations in conflict prevention, and encourages enhanced capacity-building for the League of Arab States in conflict prevention, conflict resolution, post-conflict stabilization and sustaining peace, including through the provision of technical and financial assistance, as appropriate.



The Security Council recognizes the efforts undertaken by both organizations and the commitment of their Secretaries-General in addressing challenges in conflict-affected contexts, and reiterates, in line with relevant Security Council resolutions, its call for de-escalation, the protection of civilians and civilian infrastructure and humanitarian access in all conflict situations in the Arab region.

The Security Council notes prior relevant resolutions relating to the situation in the Middle East, including the Palestinian question, and notes the Comprehensive Plan to End the Gaza Conflict, of 29 September 2025, which could create the conditions for a pathway to Palestinian self-determination and statehood, and calls for its full implementation, including the consolidation of a ceasefire, the full resumption of crucial humanitarian aid and assistance, and the advancement of reconstruction and development efforts, with a view to achieving peace and a sustainable stability.

The Security Council further stresses the urgent need to intensify and accelerate international and regional efforts to prevent the escalation of tensions, promote multilateral dialogue, advance the political settlement of disputes, strengthen collective security, and promote a just and lasting peace across the region.

The Security Council reaffirms the vital importance of the safety and security of international navigation and the freedom of movement and transit through maritime routes, as a cornerstone for the stability of global supply chains, energy security and international trade, and stresses the need to respect navigational rights and freedoms in accordance with international law.

The Security Council takes note of the outcome of general meetings on the cooperation between the Secretariats of the United Nations and the League of Arab States and their specialized agencies. The Council further notes the seventeenth general cooperation meeting between the United Nations and the League of Arab States, to be held in Geneva in July 2026, to advance a biennial framework that encompasses activities in various areas, including peace and security.

The Security Council commends members of the League of Arab States for their ongoing commitment to international peacebuilding and peacekeeping, including through the contribution of troops and police to United Nations Peacekeeping Missions.

The Security Council welcomes the contribution of the United Nations Liaison Office to the League of Arab States in Cairo, and encourages the United Nations Secretariat and the Secretariat General of the League of Arab States to promote its role in strengthening cooperation between the two organizations, including to promote the full, equal and meaningful participation of Women and Youth in promoting peace and security in line with resolution 1325 (2000) and resolution 2250 (2015).

The Security Council reaffirms the importance of enhancing cooperation in addressing transnational threats, including terrorism and organized crime, through information-sharing and capacity-building, and in this regard, welcomes the Memorandum of Understanding signed between the League of Arab States and the United Nations Office of Counter-Terrorism (UNOCT) on 27 September 2024 to strengthen cooperation in this field.

The Security Council supports the holding of an annual briefing by the Secretary-General of the League of Arab States, to further promote the

cooperation between the Security Council and the League of Arab States on matters relating to the maintenance of peace and security, especially at the regional level, and consider ways to improve collective security and support initiatives and frameworks in this regard.

The Council supports, in the same spirit, the holding of an annual informal meeting between its members and the members of the Council of the League of Arab States; and an informal meeting between its members and Representatives of the Arab Summit Troika and the Secretary-General of the League of Arab States, on the margins of the General Assembly high level segment.
