## **DRAFT RESOLUTION**

Sponsors: China (on behalf of Saudi Arabia), USA (on behalf of South Africa)
Signatories: UK, Russia, Israel, Egypt, Germany, Croatia, Poland, Ecuador, Argentina, Yemen,
Finland, India, Netherlands, Iraq, Ghana, France, Pakistan, Japan, Albania, Brazil
Agenda: Discussion on the ongoing situation in Yemen

The Security Council,

Recalling United Nations Security Council resolution 2624 (2022),

*Determining* that the situation in Yemen continues to constitute a threat to regional and international peace and security,

*Reaffirming* its strong commitment to the unity, independence and territorial integrity of Yemen and its commitment to stand by the people of Yemen,

*Expressing grave concern* at the situation in Yemen, at the worsening security situation, including armed conflict, and the deteriorating economic and humanitarian situation due to the lack of progress on a political settlement, and the potential for the further escalation of violence,

*Expressing grave alarm* at the stated intention of the Houthis to launch additional crossborder attacks, including against civilian targets, and demanding that they cease immediately,

*Welcoming* the reestablishment of diplomatic relations between Saudi Arabia and Iran, and the visit of a delegation from Saudi Arabia to Sana'a,

*Noting with appreciation* the work of the United Nations country team and agencies in Yemen,

*Noting* the formidable economic, security and social challenges confronting Yemen, which have left many Yemenis in acute need of humanitarian assistance,

*Reaffirming* its support to the Yemeni government to safeguard security, promote social and economic development, and put forward political, economic, and security reforms,

*Welcoming* the work of the Mutual Accountability Framework Executive Bureau, the World Bank, and the International Monetary Fund (IMF) in their support of the Government of Yemen on economic reform,

*Recognizing* the Houthis as a group involved in terrorist activities by resolution 2624 (2022),

Respecting the current ceasefire agreement between the GCC and the Houthis,

- 1. *Encourages* the Yemeni Government to identify, track, and disrupt illicit finance and other illicit activity through the implementation of anti-corruption programs to increase trust in government;
- 2. *Recommends* Yemen to build and establish its political system wisely to avoid any differences in religion, ethnicity, and socio-culture by guaranteeing the participation of all sectarian parties in the parliament and municipalities;
- 3. *Demands* that the Yemeni authorities immediately ensure their actions comply with obligations under applicable international humanitarian and human rights law, and allow the people of Yemen to exercise their human rights and fundamental freedoms, including their rights of peaceful assembly to demand redress of their grievances and freedom of expression, including for members of the media, and take action to end attacks against civilians and civilian targets by security forces;
- 4. *Further demands* that all armed groups remove all weapons from areas of peaceful demonstration, refrain from violence and provocation, refrain from the recruitment of children, and urge all parties not to target vital infrastructure;
- 5. *Calls upon* all concerned parties to ensure the protection of women and children, to improve women's participation in conflict resolution and encourages all parties to facilitate the equal and full participation of women at decision-making levels;
- 6. *Calls upon* the United Nations to evaluate and report annually on the progress made in implementing this resolution, which will be released publicly;

- 7. *Urges* all opposition groups to commit to playing a full and constructive part in the agreement and implementation of a political settlement based on the UNSC, and demands that all opposition groups refrain from violence, and cease the use of force to achieve political aims;
- 8. *Recommends* the Presidential Leadership Council to consider the views of the Houthis as well as other ethnic groups, and include representatives from these groups in their discussions;
- 9. *Decides* to establish, in accordance with Article 29 of the UN Charter, a Special Political Mission, 'United Nations Committee for the Territorial Integrity of Yemen' (UNCTIY), to support the movement towards a Yemen that is united and independent;
- 10. *Decides further* that, to support the parties in implementing their commitments to the unity, independence, and territorial integrity of Yemen, UNCTIY shall undertake the following mandate:
  - a. to monitor all ports, land borders, airports, and other sources of entry into Yemen for the illicit movement of arms or goods,
  - b. to ensure no parties violate the ceasefires which are implemented,
  - c. to utilize modern counterterrorism methods to identify vulnerable regions for terrorist radicalization and recruitment;
- 11. *Demands* the following of the respective parties:
  - a. *Urges* the GCC to remove blockades of seaports after monitoring forces of UNCTIY have been firmly established, to allow the flow of food, fuel and medicine into the country,
  - b. *Underlines* the importance of close collaboration and coordination between all United Nations entities operating in Yemen in order to prevent duplication of effort and to maximise the leveraging of existing resources, including the Office of the Special Envoy of the Secretary-General for Yemen (OSESGY), the Resident / Humanitarian Coordinator and the UN Country Team in Yemen, the UNMHA, and the UNCTIY,
  - c. *Requests* Member States, particularly neighbouring States, to support the United Nations as required for the implementation of UNCTIY's mandate;

- 12. *Requests* the Secretary-General to report on the implementation of this resolution within 30 days of its adoption and every 60 days thereafter on progress regarding the implementation of this resolution, including, on any obstructions to the effective operation of UNCTIY caused by any party;
- 13. *Further requests* the Secretary-General to present to the Council a review of UNCTIY, by five months from the date of adoption of this resolution;
- 14. *Decides* to remain actively seized of the matter.