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*President:* Mr. Singer Weisinger . . . . . (Dominican Republic)

*Members:*

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South Africa . . . . .	Mr. Van Shalkwyk
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland . . . . .	Ms. Carr
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## Agenda

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*The meeting was called to order at 9.35 a.m.*

### **Adoption of the agenda**

*The agenda was adopted.*

### **The situation in the Middle East**

#### **Letter dated 31 December 2018 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/2019/28)**

**The President** (*spoke in Spanish*): In accordance with rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure, I invite the representative of Yemen to participate in this meeting.

The Security Council will now begin its consideration of the item on its agenda.

Members of the Council have before them document S/2019/46, which contains the text of a draft resolution submitted by the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

I wish to draw the attention of the members of the Council to document S/2019/28, which contains the text of a letter dated 31 December 2018 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council.

The Council is ready to proceed to the vote on the draft resolution before it. I shall put the draft resolution to the vote now.

*A vote was taken by show of hands.*

*In favour:*

Belgium, China, Côte d'Ivoire, Dominican Republic, Equatorial Guinea, France, Germany, Indonesia, Kuwait, Peru, Poland, Russian Federation, South Africa, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America

**The President** (*spoke in Spanish*): The draft resolution received 15 votes in favour. The draft resolution has been adopted unanimously as resolution 2452 (2019).

I now give the floor to the representative of Yemen.

**Mr. Al-Saadi** (Yemen) (*spoke in Arabic*): At the outset, I would like to thank you, Mr. President, as well as Secretary-General António Guterres and his Special

Envoy, the Chair of the Redeployment Coordination Committee and all of the relevant departments of the Secretariat for their efforts to support the implementation of the Stockholm Agreement, which was endorsed by the Council in resolution 2451 (2018), adopted unanimously.

The Government of Yemen welcomes the adoption of today's resolution 2452 (2019), which reaffirms the international community's support for Yemen's unity, sovereignty, independence and territorial integrity. My Government stresses once again the need for comprehensive and lasting peace in a manner that meets the aspirations of the Yemeni people to build a new federal Yemen that enjoys peace, stability and development while playing an active role in ensuring regional and international security and stability. Such a peace would be based on the agreed-upon terms of reference, mainly the Gulf Cooperation Council initiative and its implementation mechanism, the outcome of the comprehensive National Dialogue Conference and relevant Council resolutions, especially resolution 2216 (2015).

The Government of Yemen has expressed its full determination and commitment to supporting and implementing the Stockholm Agreement without any detraction. We call upon the Security Council and the international community to monitor the violations that Houthi militias continue to commit in an attempt to create obstacles to what was agreed upon in Sweden.

During the past four weeks since the entry into force of the ceasefire agreement on 18 December 2018, violations by the Houthi militias, supported by Iran, numbered 573 up until 14 January, claiming the lives of 41 martyrs and resulting in 396 persons being injured. The Government of Yemen calls upon the Security Council to shoulder its responsibilities and condemn such violations in the strongest terms, as they jeopardize the implementation of the Stockholm Agreement. We also call upon the Council to bring pressure to bear on those militias to implement the Security Council resolutions on Yemen, in particular resolution 2216 (2015). We draw the Council's attention to the cowardly terrorist act by Houthi militias that targeted the Al-Anad military base last Thursday using an Iranian-made drone. We call upon the Council to condemn that criminal act.

In conclusion, we look forward to the United Nations mission to support the implementation of the Al-Hudaydah agreement, in line with its mandate as set forth in the Council resolution adopted today, in

order to guarantee the implementation of the agreement according to the established timetable.

*The meeting rose at 9.40 a.m.*