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4. Institutional Reform: Reforming Global Governance Institutions

“In order to deliver on the promises of the United Nations and other relevant international organizations around the world, we pledge to work for a reinvigorated and strengthened multilateral system, rooted in the purposes and principles of the UN Charter and international law, with renewed institutions and a reformed governance that is more representative, effective, transparent and accountable, reflecting the social, economic and political realities of the 21st century.”

G20 Rio de Janeiro Leaders’ Declaration

Assessment

	No Compliance	Partial Compliance	Full Compliance
Argentina	-1		
Australia		0	
Brazil			+1
Canada		0	
China		0	
France		0	
Germany		0	
India		0	
Indonesia		0	
Italy		0	
Japan			+1
Korea		0	
Mexico		0	
Russia	-1		
Saudi Arabia		0	
South Africa		0	
Türkiye			+1
United Kingdom		0	
United States	-1		
African Union		0	
European Union			+1
Average		+0.05 (52%)	

Background

The G20’s commitment to institutional reform has evolved significantly since the leaders’ first summit in 2008, which began with a focus on international financial institutions in response to the 2008 global financial crisis, after it caused massive and worldwide financial and economic collapse.²⁷¹⁹ At the 2008 Washington Summit, the G20 prioritized the International Monetary Fund (IMF) and the World Bank, expanding financial oversight bodies improving regulatory frameworks to prevent future crises. Over subsequent summits, the G20 broadened the agenda of institutional reform, pushing for greater inclusivity, representation, and accountability in global financial governance. Reforms gradually expanded beyond financial institutions to include multilateral development banks (MDBs), debt transparency and broader governance structures. At New Delhi in 2023 and Rio de Janeiro in 2024, G20 leaders emphasized making international institutions better, bigger, and more effective, advocating for a more representative global order that aligns with 21st century challenges.

²⁷¹⁹ The Great Recession and Its Aftermath, Federal Reserve History (Missouri) 22 November 2013. Access Date: 5 March 2025. <https://www.federalreservehistory.org/essays/great-recession-and-its-aftermath>

At the 2008 Washington Summit, G20 leaders acknowledged and listed “Reforming International Financial Institutions.”²⁷²⁰ The members outlined immediate actions such as expanding the Financial Stability Forum (FSF) to include emerging economies and reforming the IMF and World Bank Group, as well as medium-term actions such as underscoring the necessity of reforming the Bretton Woods institutions and conducting surveillance reviews.

At the 2009 London Summit, G20 leaders pledged to fund and reform international financial institutions to overcome financial crises and prevent future ones.²⁷²¹ G20 members also published a progress report about the 47 actions set out previously in the Washington Action Plan and agreed on major reforms such as expanding the FSF, strengthening international cooperation, implementing prudential regulation, ensuring compensation, protecting public finances and international standards from non-cooperative jurisdictions, improving accounting standards and increasing oversight of the Credit Rating Agencies’ activities.²⁷²²

At the 2009 Pittsburgh Summit, G20 leaders expressed the need to reform the “global architecture” to align with the needs of the 21st century.²⁷²³ The G20 members acknowledged their implementation of reforms to tackle the causes of the financial crisis and make the existing system suited for global financial regulation.

At the 2010 Toronto Summit, G20 leaders expressed their ongoing efforts to ensure effectiveness, efficiency and accountability for MBDs such as committing financial support to the poorest countries, increasing transparency and accountability for improved institutional governance as well as recommitting these institutions to lead in the provision of global solutions to global problems such as climate change and food security.²⁷²⁴ The G20 members also welcomed the World Bank’s voice reform to increase voting power for developing and transitioning countries by 3.13 per cent, as mentioned at Pittsburgh.

At the 2010 Seoul Summit, G20 leaders addressed the need to reform and modernize the IMF with more representation from developing countries and newly emerging markets, to better reflect the current situation of the global economy.²⁷²⁵

At the 2011 Cannes Summit, G20 leaders reaffirmed the importance of bringing countries together on equal footing to catalyze action and agreed to put their collective political will towards reforming international institutions.²⁷²⁶ For the first time, G20 leaders addressed reforms to the G20, announcing that after 2015, the annual presidencies of the G20 would be chosen from rotating regional groups, starting with the Asian grouping.

At the 2012 Los Cabos Summit, G20 leaders reaffirmed their commitment to implementing the 2010 Quota and Governance Reform by the date agreed upon by the 2012 IMF/World Bank Annual Meetings.²⁷²⁷

²⁷²⁰ Declaration of the Summit on Financial Markets and the World Economy, G20 Information Centre (Toronto) 15 November 2008. Access Date: 2 March 2025. <https://www.g20.utoronto.ca/2008/2008declaration1115.html>

²⁷²¹ London Summit – Leaders’ Statement 2 April 2009, G20 Information Centre (Toronto) 2 April 2009. Access Date: 2 March 2025. <https://www.g20.utoronto.ca/2009/2009communique0402.html>

²⁷²² Declaration on Strengthening the Financial System – London Summit, 2 April 2009, G20 Information Centre (Toronto) 2 April 2009. Access Date: 2 March 2025. <https://www.g20.utoronto.ca/2009/2009ifi.html>

²⁷²³ G20 Leaders Statement: The Pittsburgh Summit, G20 Information Centre (Toronto) 25 September 2009. Access Date: 2 March 2025. <https://www.g20.utoronto.ca/2009/2009communique0925.html>

²⁷²⁴ The G20 Toronto Summit Declaration, G20 Information Centre (Toronto) 27 June 2010. Access Date: 2 March 2025. <https://www.g20.utoronto.ca/2010/to-communique.html>

²⁷²⁵ The G20 Seoul Summit Leaders’ Declaration, G20 Information Centre (Toronto) 12 November 2010. Access Date: 4 March 2025. <https://www.g20.utoronto.ca/2010/g20seoul.html>

²⁷²⁶ Cannes Summit Final Declaration - Building Our Common Future: Renewed Collective Action for the Benefit of All, G20 Information Centre (Toronto) 4 November 2011. Access Date: 4 March 2025. <https://www.g20.utoronto.ca/2011/2011-cannes-declaration-111104-en.html>

²⁷²⁷ G20 Leaders Declaration, G20 Information Centre (Toronto) 19 June 2012. Access Date: 4 March 2025. <https://www.g20.utoronto.ca/2012/2012-0619-loscabos.html>

At the 2013 St. Petersburg Summit, G20 leaders reiterated the importance of completing the ongoing IMF governance reforms to strengthen the IMF's "credibility, legitimacy and effectiveness."²⁷²⁸ Additionally, G20 members called for the urgent ratification of the 2010 IMF Quota and Governance Reform. G20 leaders also stressed that quota distribution should reflect shifts in the global economy while ensuring representation for developing nations and emerging economies.

At the 2014 Brisbane Summit, G20 leaders stressed their role in ensuring effectiveness and better reflection of the changing world economy within global economic institutions.²⁷²⁹ The G20 members also reaffirmed their commitment to maintaining a strong and quota-based IMF and spoke about their disappointment towards the delay in the progress for governance reforms as agreed in 2010 and the 15th General Review of Quotas.

At the 2015 Antalya Summit, G20 leaders announced their completion of core pillars in the financial reform agenda intended to enhance the resilience of the global financial system.²⁷³⁰ G20 leaders also reaffirmed the high priority of the 2010 reforms and urged the US again to ratify them to further strengthen the IMF as an international institution.

At the 2016 Hangzhou Summit, G20 leaders stressed the need for an efficient international financial governance system and supported the Global Financial Safety Net centered on a well-equipped IMF.²⁷³¹ G20 members backed stronger cooperation between the IMF and regional financing arrangements. The G20 reaffirmed its support for the World Bank Group's efforts to achieve equitable voting power over time so that the voices of the poorest members are represented. Additionally, G20 members committed to supporting the Paris Club's efforts to include emerging creditors in bilateral debt restructuring forums.

At the 2017 Hamburg Summit, G20 leaders reaffirmed their commitment from the 2016 Hangzhou Summit to maintain a Global Financial Safety Net that is centered around a strong, well-equipped IMF.²⁷³² On strengthening health governance, G20 members called for increased funding for the World Health Organization's Health Emergencies Programme.

At the 2018 Buenos Aires Summit, G20 leaders reaffirmed their commitment to maintain a Global Financial Safety Net, as well as its commitment from Hangzhou to support the Paris Club in its efforts to include emerging creditors into bilateral debt restructure forums.²⁷³³ G20 leaders also called on the IMF and World Bank to cooperate with borrowers and creditors to improve transparency and sustainability in their reporting of public and private debt obligations. Additionally, G20 members expressed support for efforts by the IMF, World Bank Group and Paris Club on Low-Income Country debt and welcomed the G20 Eminent Persons Group's final report on Global Financial Governance, remaining committed to maintaining a resilient global financial system.

At the 2019 Osaka Summit, G20 leaders reaffirmed their commitment to maintain a Global Financial Safety Net that is centered on a strong, well-equipped IMF, as well as its commitment to support the Paris Club in its

²⁷²⁸ Russia G20 Leaders' Declaration, G20 Information Centre (Toronto) 6 September 2013. Access Date: 4 March 2025. <https://www.g20.utoronto.ca/2013/2013-0906-declaration.html>

²⁷²⁹ G20 Leaders' Communique, Brisbane, November 16, 2014, G20 Information Centre (Toronto) 16 November 2014. Access Date: 4 March 2025. <https://www.g20.utoronto.ca/2014/2014-1116-communique.html>

²⁷³⁰ G20 Leaders' Communique, Antalya, Türkiye, November 16, 2015, G20 Information Centre (Toronto) 16 November 2015. Access Date: 4 March 2025. <https://www.g20.utoronto.ca/2015/151116-communique.html>

²⁷³¹ G20 Leaders' Communiqué: Hangzhou Summit, G20 Information Centre (Toronto) 5 September 2016. Access Date: 3 March 2025. <https://www.g20.utoronto.ca/2016/160905-communique.html>

²⁷³² G20 Leaders' Declaration: Shaping an Interconnected World, G20 Information Centre (Toronto) 8 July 2017. Access Date: 3 March 2025. <https://www.g20.utoronto.ca/2017/2017-G20-leaders-declaration.html>

²⁷³³ G20 Leaders' Declaration: Building Consensus for Fair and Sustainable Development, G20 Information Centre (Toronto) 1 December 2018. Access Date: 3 March 2025. <https://www.g20.utoronto.ca/2018/2018-leaders-declaration.html>

efforts to include emerging creditors into bilateral debt restructure forums.²⁷³⁴ The G20 called on the IMF and World Bank Group to continue their efforts in strengthening borrowers' capacity.

At the 2020 Riyadh Summit, G20 leaders acknowledged the need for a resilient “international financial architecture.”²⁷³⁵ In light of the Covid-19 crisis, G20 members called on the IMF to continue exploring tools that cater to members' needs and affirmed its support for the IMF's assistance efforts towards developing states that face significant challenges. Beyond pandemic response, G20 members pledged to continue their support of the IMF in its governance reform and called on the World Bank Group to expand its efforts in mobilizing private financing for developing countries.

At the 2021 Rome Summit, the G20 reacknowledged its commitment in maintaining a resilient “international financial architecture.”²⁷³⁶ The G20 reaffirmed its commitment from the previous summits to maintain a Global Financial Safety Net that is centered on a strong, well-equipped IMF. G20 members re-committed to supporting the IMF's governance reform.

At the 2022 Bali Summit, the G20 continued its pledge to strengthen “the long-term financial resilience of the international financial architecture.”²⁷³⁷ Additionally, G20 members anticipated further dialogue with international organizations to ensure consistent application of international frameworks for capital flow management measures.

At the 2023 New Delhi Summit, the G20 stressed “reforming international financial institutions” to make them “better, bigger and more effective,” thereby marking a stride in commitments from previous summits.²⁷³⁸ This was in light of its recognition of the “need” for “revitalized multilateralism” in solving 21st-century global challenges and making global governance “more representative, effective, transparent and accountable.” G20 members recalled the Declaration on the Commemoration of the 75th anniversary of the United Nations. G20 members also recognized the need to “evolve” the MDB ecosystem, particularly stressing it must cater to the poorest countries.

At the 2024 Rio de Janeiro Summit, the G20 reiterated the need to “reform global governance” anchored in the UN Charter principles and international law, to sustain a multilateral system that is “more representative, effective, transparent and accountable” as stated at the 2023 New Delhi Summit.²⁷³⁹ The G20 also pledged to strengthen the role of the General Assembly and the Economic and Social Council. Notably at Rio, the G20 welcomed the creation of a 25th chair at the IMF Executive Board for Sub-Saharan Africa, celebrating increased representation of developing countries in MDB decision-making.

Commitment Features

The overarching welfare target of this commitment is to effectively govern social, economic and political global realities by reforming both UN bodies and other relevant international organizations to be 1) more representative, 2) more effective and 3) more transparent and accountable. Therefore, each G20 member must take strong action to meet all three key criteria for reforming both the UN bodies and other relevant international organizations to advance the welfare target. UN bodies include the UN General Assembly (UNGA), the UN Security Council (UNSC), the UN Economic and Social Council, the UN Human Rights

²⁷³⁴ G20 Osaka Leaders' Declaration, G20 Information Centre (Toronto) 29 June 2019. Access Date: 3 March 2025.

<https://www.g20.utoronto.ca/2019/2019-g20-osaka-leaders-declaration.html>

²⁷³⁵ Leaders' Declaration, G20 Information Centre (Toronto) 21 November 2020. Access Date: 3 March 2025.

<https://www.g20.utoronto.ca/2020/2020-g20-leaders-declaration-1121.html>

²⁷³⁶ G20 Rome Leaders' Declaration, G20 Information Centre (Toronto) 31 October 2021. Access Date: 3 March 2025.

<https://www.g20.utoronto.ca/2021/211031-declaration.html>

²⁷³⁷ G20 Bali Leaders' Declaration, G20 Information Centre (Toronto) 16 November 2022. Access Date: 3 March 2025.

<https://www.g20.utoronto.ca/2022/221116-declaration.html>

²⁷³⁸ G20 New Delhi Leaders' Declaration, G20 Information Centre (Toronto) 9 September 2023. Access Date: 3 March 2025.

<https://www.g20.utoronto.ca/2023/230909-declaration.html>

²⁷³⁹ G20 Rio de Janeiro Leaders' Declaration, G20 Information Centre (Toronto) 18 November 2024. Access Date: 3 March 2025.

<https://www.g20.utoronto.ca/2024/241118-declaration.html>

Council, and the Food and Agriculture Organization. Other relevant international organizations include the IMF, the World Trade Organization (WTO), and the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD). Overall, the focus of this commitment is on reforming international institutions.

Definitions and Concepts

“Deliver” refers to “achieve or produce something that has been promised.”²⁷⁴⁰

“Institution” refers to an organization or body “established by a treaty or other instrument governed by international law and possessing its own international legal personality.”²⁷⁴¹ Its members, typically states, public entities and private entities, are themselves “subjects of international law with the capacity of concluding international treaties.” Institutions serve as mechanisms for “organizing the international political order.”

“Promise” refers to the act of making an assurance or a statement committing to doing something.²⁷⁴²

“Pledge” refers “to make a serious or formal promise to give or to do something.”²⁷⁴³

“Reinvigorated” is understood to mean “to make something stronger, ... or successful again.”²⁷⁴⁴

“Strengthened” is understood to mean to make or become stronger.²⁷⁴⁵ A reinvigorated and strengthened multilateral system is better able to sustain the purposes and principles set out in international law.

“Renewed” is understood to mean “happening again after having stopped for a period of time.”²⁷⁴⁶

“Purpose” is defined as “an intention or aim; a reason for doing something or for allowing something to happen.”²⁷⁴⁷

“Principle” is defined as “a basic idea or rule that explains or controls how something happens or works.”²⁷⁴⁸

The “UN Charter” is “the founding document of the United Nations” and “an instrument of international law” by which “UN Member States are bound by.”²⁷⁴⁹ The UN Charter also codifies major principles underlying international relations.

²⁷⁴⁰ Deliver, Cambridge Dictionary (Cambridge) n.d. Access Date: 13 March 2025.

<https://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/english/deliver>

²⁷⁴¹ International Organizations or Institutions, General Aspects, Oxford Public International Law (Oxford) n.d. Access Date: 17 May 2025. <https://opil.ouplaw.com/display/10.1093/law:epil/9780199231690/law-9780199231690-e499>

²⁷⁴² Promise, Cambridge Dictionary (Cambridge) n.d. Access Date: 13 March 2025.

<https://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/english/promise>

²⁷⁴³ Pledge, Cambridge Dictionary (Cambridge) n.d. Access Date: 13 March 2025.

<https://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/english/pledge>

²⁷⁴⁴ Reinvigorate, Cambridge Dictionary (Cambridge) n.d. Access Date: 3 March 2025.

<https://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/english/reinvigorate>

²⁷⁴⁵ Compliance Coding Manual for International Commitments, G20 Information Centre (Toronto) 12 November 2020. Access Date: 3 March 2025. https://www.g7.utoronto.ca/compliance/Compliance_Coding_Manual_2020.pdf

²⁷⁴⁶ Renewed, Cambridge Dictionary (Cambridge) n.d. Access Date: 3 March 2025.

<https://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/english/renewed>

²⁷⁴⁷ Purpose, Cambridge Dictionary (Cambridge) n.d. Access Date: 13 March 2025.

<https://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/english/purpose>

²⁷⁴⁸ Principle, Cambridge Dictionary (Cambridge) n.d. Access Date: 13 March 2025.

<https://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/english/principle>

²⁷⁴⁹ United Nations Charter, United Nations (New York) n.d. Access Date: 13 March 2025. <https://www.un.org/en/about-us/un-charter>

“International law” defines “the legal responsibilities of States in their conduct with each other, and their treatment of individuals within State boundaries.”²⁷⁵⁰

“Reformed” is understood to mean “changed and improved because of no longer doing something harmful.”²⁷⁵¹ For this assessment, renewed and reformed refers to directing institutions towards more effectively achieving their main aims.

General Interpretive Guidelines

This commitment requires strong actions in the renewal of institutions through reforming UN bodies and other relevant international organizations and emphasizing the key criteria of a) institutional representation, b) institutional effectiveness and c) institutional transparency and accountability. In the context of this commitment, “institutional representation” refers to inclusive and meaningful participation of different G20 members in the decision-making process representing diverse social, economic and political interests.²⁷⁵² “Institutional effectiveness” refers to the extent to which an organization’s goals are met.²⁷⁵³ “Institutional transparency and accountability” refers to an organization’s ability to provide accessible, reliable and timely information regarding their actions, conditions and decisions.²⁷⁵⁴

Full compliance, or a score of +1, will be given to a G20 member that takes strong actions to reform at least one UN body or at least one other international organization and meets all of the key criteria: a) institutional representation, b) institutional effectiveness and c) institutional transparency and accountability.

Strong actions reforming the “institutional representation” of a UN body includes evidence of individual member contribution at meetings to reform regional imbalances in the UNSC. Strong actions reforming the “institutional effectiveness” of a UN body includes ratifying enforcement measures in the UNGA. Strong actions reforming the “institutional transparency and accountability” of a UN body includes establishing a framework for disclosing UNSC negotiations. Strong actions reforming the “institutional representativeness” of other relevant international organizations include expanding OECD membership to economies in the Global South for broader regional representation. Strong actions reforming the “institutional effectiveness” of other relevant international organizations include implementing a dispute resolution system at the WTO or altering the quota system at the IMF. Strong actions reforming the “institutional transparency and accountability” of other relevant international organizations include amending the dispute settlement process when appealing to the WTO Appellate Body.

Partial compliance, or a score of 0, will be assigned to a G20 member that has taken moderate action to reform one UN body or one other international organization and meets two of the key criteria: a) institutional representation, b) institutional effectiveness and c) institutional transparency and accountability. Moderate actions include verbal affirmations to reform the role of the WTO Secretariat or participating in meetings to reform the UNSC veto power representation.

Non-compliance, or a score of –1, will be assigned to a G20 member that has taken no steps to reform the UN nor other relevant international organizations and failed to meet any of the key criteria: a) institutional representation, b) institutional effectiveness and c) institutional transparency and accountability; or 2) if it has

²⁷⁵⁰ International Law, United Nations Information Service (Vienna) n.d. Access Date: 14 March 2025.

<https://unis.unvienna.org/unis/en/topics/international-law.html>

²⁷⁵¹ Reformed, Cambridge Dictionary (Cambridge) n.d. Access Date: 3 March 2025.

<https://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/english/reformed>

²⁷⁵² Representation of Organizations of the United Nations System at Conferences and Meetings, United Nations Joint Inspection Unit (Geneva) October 1988. Access Date: 30 March 2025. https://www.unjiu.org/sites/www.unjiu.org/files/jiu_document_files/products/en/reports-notes/JIU%20Products/JIU_REP_1988_7_English.pdf

²⁷⁵³ The Group of Twenty: A History, G20 Information Centre (Toronto) n.d. Access Date: 31 March 2025.

<https://g20.utoronto.ca/docs/g20history.pdf>

²⁷⁵⁴ Transparency, United Nations Development Programme (New York) n.d. Access Date: 31 March 2025.

<https://popp.undp.org/taxonomy/term/5251>

engaged in actions directly and explicitly antithetical to the commitment. Actions that are antithetical to the commitment include terminating agreements on governance reform, halting funding to international organizations and withdrawing from international institutions. G20 members that take steps to weaken the multilateral system through weakening international law or not abiding by the purposes and principles of the UN Charter will also be scored as non-compliant.

Scoring Guidelines

-1	The G20 member has not taken any steps to reform a UN body or another relevant international organization and has failed to meet the key criteria of being a) representative, b) effective and c) transparent and accountable; or has taken actions directly and explicitly antithetical to the commitment.
0	The G20 member has taken moderate action to reform either one UN body or one other relevant international organizations and has met two of the three key criteria of being a) representative b) effective and c) transparent and accountable.
+1	The G20 member has taken strong action to reform at least one UN body or at least one other relevant international organizations and has met all three key criteria of being a) representative, b) effective and c) transparent and accountable.

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Argentina: -1

Argentina has not complied with its commitment to work for a reinvigorated and strengthened multilateral system, rooted in the purposes and principles of the United Nations Charter and international law, with renewed institutions and a reformed governance that is more representative, effective, transparent and accountable, reflecting the social, economic and political realities of the 21st century.

On 5 February 2025, presidential spokesperson Manuel Adorni announced that President Javier Milei ordered Foreign Minister Gerardo Werthein to withdraw Argentina from the World Health Organization (WHO) because of distinct divergences over the WHO's handling of the Covid-19 pandemic.²⁷⁵⁵

On 27 May 2025, Argentine Minister of Health Mario Lugones and U.S. Health and Human Services Secretary Robert F. Kennedy, Jr. and released a joint statement about their withdrawal from the WHO, citing the lack of reforms, transparency, excessive economic demands and increased politicization of the WHO as reasons for their withdrawal.²⁷⁵⁶

On 8 July 2025, Ambassador Gustavo Nerio Lunazzi, who serves as the Chair of the World Trade Organization's (WTO) Council for Trade in Goods (CTG), led discussions around improving the council's transparency and trade relations.²⁷⁵⁷

On 1 September 2025, President Javier Milei announced that Argentina will be withdrawing from the UN Human Rights Council (UNHRC) and will not present its candidacy for the following term.²⁷⁵⁸ This initiative

²⁷⁵⁵ Argentina to withdraw from World Health Organization, Buenos Aires Herald (Buenos Aires) 5 February 2025. Access Date: 18 May 2025. <https://buenosairesherald.com/world/international-relations/argentina-to-withdraw-from-world-health-organization>

²⁷⁵⁶ Joint Statement with Argentina Health Minister, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (Washington D.C.) 27 May 2025. Access Date: 14 July 2025. <https://www.hhs.gov/press-room/us-argentina-withdraw-who.html>

²⁷⁵⁷ Members address trade concerns, current trade tensions at Goods Council meeting, World Trade Organization (Geneva) 8 July 2025. Access Date: 11 August 2025. https://www.wto.org/english/news_e/news25_e/good_08jul25_e.htm

²⁷⁵⁸ El Gobierno retira a la Argentina del Consejo de Derechos Humanos de la ONU y no se postulará para el próximo período, Infobae (Buenos Aires) 1 September 2025. Translation provided by Google Translate. Access Date: 28 October 2025. <https://www.infobae.com/politica/2025/09/01/el-gobierno-retira-a-la-argentina-del-consejo-de-derechos-humanos-de-la-onu-y-no-se-postulara-para-el-proximo-periodo/>

is antithetical to the commitment as Argentina has taken steps to weaken multilateral forums for cooperation.²⁷⁵⁹

On 8 September 2025, the Ministry of National Security in collaboration with the Inter-American Development Bank held the Regional Summit on Citizen Security and Justice to address institutional capacity-building and enhance cooperation in the Latin American and Caribbean region.²⁷⁶⁰ The Summit engaged ministers of justice and security from IDB member countries, as well as representatives from non-regional IDB member countries, stakeholders and other stakeholders.

Argentina has not complied with its commitment to work for a reinvigorated and strengthened multilateral system, rooted in the purposes and principles of the UN Charter and international law. Instead, Argentina has taken an action antithetical to the commitment, withdrawing from the WHO and the UNHRC.

Thus, Argentina receives a score of -1 .²⁷⁶¹

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Australia: 0

Australia has partially complied with its commitment to work for a reinvigorated and strengthened multilateral system, rooted in the purposes and principles of the UN Charter and international law, with renewed institutions and a reformed governance that is more representative, effective, transparent and accountable, reflecting the social, economic and political realities of the 21st century.

On 28 November 2024, the Australian government and New Zealand government endorsed the Call to Action on the Shadow Fleet initiative, in response to the rise of Russia and North Korea's "shadow fleet activity," which threatens international trade and maritime law.²⁷⁶² This initiative promotes practices to increase compliance with international standards for safety and environmental protection, which aims to increase accountability towards existing international institutions such as the International Maritime Organization.

On 3 December 2024, the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade announced the recommencement of the International Aid Transparency Initiative (IATI) reporting and Australia's realignment with international development transparency standards.²⁷⁶³

On 17 December 2024, the Australian government contributed AUD13 million to the core resources of the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP). This contribution demonstrates Australia's commitment

²⁷⁵⁹ Argentina — Government Decides Not to Run for UN Human Rights Council, EU SEE (The Hague) 17 September 2025. Access Date: 28 October 2025. <https://eusee.hivos.org/alert/argentina-government-decides-not-to-run-for-un-human-rights-council/>

²⁷⁶⁰ Regional Summit on Citizen Security and Justice, Inter-American Development Bank (Washington D.C.) 8 September 2025. Access Date: 28 October 2025. <https://events.iadb.org/calendar/event/29902?lang=en>

²⁷⁶¹ This score of non-compliance was determined after consulting the following sources: <https://buenosairesherald.com>, <https://kpmg.com/us/en.html>, <https://derechadiario.com.ar/us/>, <https://www.argentina.gob.ar/>, <https://www.argentina.gob.ar/jefatura>, <https://www.cancilleria.gob.ar/>, <https://www.batimes.com.ar/>, <https://www.lanacion.com.ar/>, <https://www.lagaceta.com.ar/>, <https://www.infobae.com/>, <https://eusee.hivos.org/>, <https://events.iadb.org/>

²⁷⁶² Joint Statement from Australia and New Zealand, Australian Government: Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (Canberra) 28 November 2024. Access Date: 8 April 2025. <https://www.dfat.gov.au/news/media-release/joint-statement-australia-and-new-zealand>

²⁷⁶³ Australia delivers greater transparency and accountability in international development, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (Canberra) 3 December 2024. Access Date: 5 April 2025. <https://www.dfat.gov.au/development/australia-delivers-greater-transparency-and-accountability-international-development>

to international organizations and allows the UNDP to continue delivering their programmes with effectiveness, efficiency and transparency.²⁷⁶⁴

On 27 February 2025, the Australian government published their 2025 foreign policy, highlighting Australia's candidacy for a non-permanent seat on the United Nations Security Council (UNSC) for the 2029-2030 term, as well as their aspiration to reform the UNSC for increased permanent and non-permanent representation for countries in Africa, Latin America, the Caribbean and the Asia-Pacific.²⁷⁶⁵

On 27 February 2025, First Secretary of the Permanent Mission of Australia to the United Nations Hamish Fejo emphasized Australia's ongoing commitment towards increasing the Security Council's transparency and effectiveness and continued efforts to strengthen the Council.²⁷⁶⁶

On 28 March 2025, Australia collaborated with Japan to monitor and survey illicit maritime activities that are prohibited by the UNSC resolutions at the Kadena Air Base in Japan.²⁷⁶⁷ This marks the 15th time Australian aircraft engaged in these activities, which will help ensure effective implementation of the resolutions.

On 21 April 2025, the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN)-Australia-New Zealand Free Trade Area was upgraded to ensure greater openness and emphasize the importance of a rules-based system.²⁷⁶⁸ This upgrade demonstrates compliance with creating greater transparency within international treaty regimes.

On 12 May 2025, Ambassador and Permanent Representative of the Permanent Mission of Australia to the United Nations James Larsen spoke about Australia's desires for an effective United Nations system and urged the Secretary General to coordinate UN reform.²⁷⁶⁹

On 17 May 2025, Australia, Canada and New Zealand issued a joint statement following the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) meeting, committing to support Korea as the 2025 APEC chair and condemning Russia's illegal invasion of Ukraine.²⁷⁷⁰ This initiative reaffirms Australia's commitment to upholding the principles of the UN system, such as multilateralism and cooperation.

On 29 May 2025, Australia, Canada, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, Netherlands, New Zealand, South Korea, United Kingdom and United States as a part of the Multilateral Sanctions Monitoring Team issued a joint statement on unlawful military cooperation between North Korea and Russia, in violation of UNSC

²⁷⁶⁴ Australia continues support for UNDP to address global development challenges, United Nations Development Program (New York) 17 December 2024. Access Date: 18 May 2025. <https://www.undp.org/news/australia-continues-support-undp-address-global-development-challenges>

²⁷⁶⁵ Australia in the World – 2025 Snapshot, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (Canberra) 27 February 2025. Access Date: 18 May 2025. <https://www.dfat.gov.au/publications/international-relations/australia-world-2025-snapshot>

²⁷⁶⁶ 250227 - Intergovernmental Negotiations on Security Council Reform: Working Methods, Permanent Mission of Australia to the United Nations (New York) 27 February 2025. Access Date: 22 August 2025. https://unmy.mission.gov.au/unmy/250227_Security_Council_Reform.html

²⁷⁶⁷ Monitoring and surveillance activities by Australia against illicit maritime activities including ship-to-ship transfers, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (Tokyo) 28 March 2025. Access Date: 18 May 2025. https://www.mofa.go.jp/press/release/pressite_000001_01131.html

²⁷⁶⁸ AANZFTA Upgrade enters into force, Australian Government: Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (Canberra) 21 April 2025. Access Date: 10 May 2025. <https://www.dfat.gov.au/news/aanzfta-upgrade-enters-force>

²⁷⁶⁹ 250512 - Secretary-General briefing on UN80 to the General Assembly, Permanent Mission of Australia to the United Nations (New York) 12 May 2025. Access Date: 22 August 2025. https://unmy.embassy.gov.au/unmy/250512_UN80_Briefing.html

²⁷⁷⁰ Australia, Canada and New Zealand release statement following APEC Ministerial Meetings in Jeju, Korea, on Russia's illegal invasion of Ukraine, Global Affairs Canada (Ottawa) 17 May 2025. Access Date: 7 June 2025. <https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2025/05/australia-canada-and-new-zealand-release-statement-following-apec-ministerial-meetings-in-jeju-korea-on-russias-illegal-invasion-of-ukraine.html>

resolutions.²⁷⁷¹ The multilateral mechanism aims to monitor and report on sanction measures implemented by the United Nations. This initiative underscores ongoing to advancing the UN's institutional effectiveness.

On 30 June 2025, Australia and the United Kingdom announced a joint statement after their second Strategic Dialogue on Gender Equality.²⁷⁷² In the statement, both members highlighted the importance of UN80 reforms in creating greater gender equality and called for transparent reforms to allow the UN system to make progress on global gender equality and equity.

On 15 July 2025, Prime Minister Anthony Albanese met with China's Premier Li Qiang of the State Council, emphasizing the need to increase cooperation between the two nations within international organizations such as the UN, WTO and Asia Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC), to continue fostering and upholding an inclusive multilateral system.²⁷⁷³

On 25 July 2025, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs released a statement following the Australia-UK Ministerial Consultations (AUKMIN).²⁷⁷⁴ This statement recognized Australia and the United Kingdom's ongoing role in upholding international institutions, as well as underscored the necessity of multilateral reforms of the WTO through the UN80 initiative.

On 9 August 2025, Prime Minister Albanese and the Prime Minister of New Zealand Christopher Luxon released a joint statement reaffirming their commitment to WTO reform, strengthening the UN as well as the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN)-related regional institutions.²⁷⁷⁵

On 17 September 2025, Australia and the EU released a joint press statement following the 7th Australia-EU Joint Committee Meeting.²⁷⁷⁶ In the statement, Australia and the EU committed to cooperating towards comprehensive reform the WTO.

On 1 October 2025, representatives from Australia, Canada, Denmark, the European Union, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, the Republic of Korea, Norway, Switzerland, Türkiye, the United Kingdom and the United States issued a joint statement following the meeting of G7+ Special Representatives for Afghanistan.²⁷⁷⁷ Representatives reaffirmed their commitment to collaborating with international financial institutions such as the World Bank, as well as effective coordination within the UN system to tackle humanitarian, economic and political challenges in Afghanistan.

²⁷⁷¹ Joint Statement of the Multilateral Sanctions Monitoring Team (MSMT) on the first report covering DPRK-Russia Military Cooperation, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (Canberra) 30 March 2025. Access Date: 6 June 2025.

<https://www.dfat.gov.au/news/media-release/joint-statement-multilateral-sanctions-monitoring-team-msmt-first-report-covering-dprk-russia-military-cooperation>

²⁷⁷² Joint Statement on the Second Australia-UK Strategic Dialogue on Gender Equality, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (Canberra) 30 June 2025. Access Date: 6 July 2025. <https://www.dfat.gov.au/news/media-release/joint-statement-second-australia-uk-strategic-dialogue-gender-equality>

²⁷⁷³ Li Qiang Holds the 10th China-Australia Annual Leaders' Meeting with Australian Prime Minister Anthony Albanese, Ministry of Foreign Affairs People's Republic of China (Beijing) 15 July 2025. Access Date: 23 August 2025. https://www.fmprc.gov.cn/mfa_eng/xw/zyxw/202507/t20250725_11677102.html

²⁷⁷⁴ Statement on Australia-UK Ministerial Consultations (AUKMIN) July 2025, Minister for Foreign Affairs (Canberra) 25 July 2025. Access Date: 16 August 2025. <https://www.foreignminister.gov.au/minister/penny-wong/media-release/statement-australia-uk-ministerial-consultations-aukmin-july-2025>

²⁷⁷⁵ Australia-New Zealand Leaders' Meeting 2025, Prime Minister of Australia (Canberra) 9 August 2025. Access Date: 16 September 2025. <https://www.pm.gov.au/media/australia-new-zealand-leaders-meeting-2025>

²⁷⁷⁶ Joint press statement on the 7th Australia-EU Joint Committee Meeting, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (Canberra) 17 September 2025. Access Date: 10 October 2025. <https://www.dfat.gov.au/news/media-release/joint-press-statement-7th-australia-eu-joint-committee-meeting>

²⁷⁷⁷ Statement following the meeting of the G7+ Special Representatives for Afghanistan on 29-30 September 2025, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (Canberra) 1 October 2025. Access Date: 28 October 2025. <https://www.dfat.gov.au/news/media-release/statement-following-meeting-g7-special-representatives-afghanistan-29-30-september-2025>

On 2 October 2025, Australia and New Zealand collaborated to publish the United Nations Handbook 2025-26.²⁷⁷⁸ The Handbook contains information on the six main UN organs and subsidiary organs.²⁷⁷⁹ This initiative underscores Australia's commitment to advancing the principles of the UN system and the UN founding chapter.

On 22 October 2025, Australia, Canada, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, Netherlands, New Zealand, South Korea, United Kingdom and United States as a part of the Multilateral Sanctions Monitoring Team issued their second joint statement on the unlawful military cooperation between North Korea and Russia, in violation of UNSC resolutions (UNSCRs).²⁷⁸⁰ The report underscores Australia's commitment to the full implementation of UNSCRs. Further, the report calls on the UNSC to reimplement the Panel of Experts to maintain international security and hold the North Korea accountable in its violation and evasion of UN sanctions.

On 23 October 2025, the Ministers and high representatives of Armenia, Australia, Belgium, Canada, Chile, Colombia, Cyprus, Dominican Republic, Estonia, France, Germany, Iceland, Ireland, Kosovo, Latvia, Liberia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Mexico, Moldova, the Netherlands, North Macedonia, Norway, Portugal, Rwanda, Slovenia, Spain, Thailand, Ukraine, United Kingdom, Uruguay participated at the 4th Ministerial Conference on Feminist Foreign Policies.²⁷⁸¹ The Joint Declaration demonstrates Australia's commitment to upholding the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, UN principles and the UNSC Resolution 1325 (Women, Peace and Security agenda), advancing institutional reform of the UN and strengthening multilateral engagement.

On 1 November 2025, APEC Leaders from Australia, Brunei, Canada, Chile, China, Hong Kong, Indonesia, Japan, South Korea, Malaysia, Mexico, New Zealand, Papua New Guinea, Peru, Philippines, Russia, Singapore, Taiwan, Thailand, the United States and Vietnam released the APEC Leaders' Declaration 2025.²⁷⁸² Leaders reiterated their commitment to advancing structural reforms that strengthen innovation, productivity and economic vitality.

On 2 November 2025, Australia, Canada and New Zealand issued a joint statement after the APEC Ministerial Meeting reiterating their support for Asia-Pacific Economic Council (APEC) and condemning Russia's actions that undermine economic cooperation and the work of the organization.²⁷⁸³

On 4 November 2025, Australia, Canada, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, Netherlands, New Zealand, Republic of Korea, United Kingdom and United States issued a joint statement on the Democratic People Republic of Korea's cyber and information technology activities that violate UNSCRs.²⁷⁸⁴ The report underscores

²⁷⁷⁸ Australia and New Zealand launch a guide to the United Nations system, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (Canberra) 2 October 2025. Access Date: 28 October 2025. <https://www.dfat.gov.au/news/news/australia-and-new-zealand-launch-guide-united-nations-system>

²⁷⁷⁹ United Nations Handbook, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (Canberra) n.d. Access Date: 28 October 2025. <https://www.dfat.gov.au/publications/international-relations/united-nations-handbook>

²⁷⁸⁰ Joint Statement of the Multilateral Sanctions Monitoring Team (MSMT) on the Report Covering DPRK Cyber and IT Worker Activities, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (Canberra) 22 October 2025. Access Date: 28 October 2025. <https://www.dfat.gov.au/news/media-release/joint-statement-multilateral-sanctions-monitoring-team-msmt-report-covering-dprk-cyber-and-it-worker-activities>

²⁷⁸¹ Paris Joint Political Declaration on Achieving Gender Equality, Promoting Human Rights of All Women and Girls and Strengthening a Feminist Approach to Foreign Policy under the auspices of the 4th Ministerial Conference on Feminist Foreign Policies in Paris, October 22 and 23 2025, Global Affairs Canada (Ottawa) 28 October 2025. Access Date: 28 October 2025. <https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2025/10/paris-joint-political-declaration-on-achieving-gender-equality-promoting-human-rights-of-all-women-and-girls-and-strengthening-a-feminist-approach-.html>

²⁷⁸² 2025年亚太经合组织领导人庆州宣言（摘要），中华人民共和国常驻联合国代表团 (Beijing) 1 November 2025. Translation provided by Google Translate. Access Date: 7 November 2025. https://un.china-mission.gov.cn/zgyw/202511/t20251101_11745424.htm

²⁷⁸³ APEC Ministerial Meeting joint statement, Global Affairs Canada (Gyeongju) 2 November 2025. Access Date: 10 November 2025. <https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2025/11/apec-ministerial-meeting-joint-statement.html>

²⁷⁸⁴ Multilateral Sanctions Monitoring Team (MSMT): Joint Statement on the Report Covering DPRK Cyber and IT Worker Activities, Federal Foreign Office (Brussels) 4 November 2025. Access Date: 7 November 2025. <https://www.auswaertiges-amt.de/en/newsroom/news/2741814-2741814>

Australia's commitment to the full implementation of UNSCRs. Further, the report called on the UNSC to re-establish the Panel of Experts to bolster the institutional effectiveness of the UN.

Australia has partially complied with its commitment to work for a reinvigorated and strengthened multilateral system, rooted in the purposes and principles of the UN Charter and international law. Australia has taken moderate action in endorsing initiatives to enhance the effectiveness and transparency and accountability of a UN body and international organizations such as the International Maritime Organization, IATI, ASEAN and the UN. However, Australia has not taken strong action towards reforming a UN body or another relevant international organization.

Thus, Australia receives a score of 0.

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Brazil has fully complied with its commitment to work for a reinvigorated and strengthened multilateral system, rooted in the purposes and principles of the United Nations Charter and international law, with renewed institutions and a reformed governance that is more representative, effective, transparent and accountable, reflecting the social, economic and political realities of the 21st century.

On 6 December 2024, the Southern Common Market (MERCOSUR) and the European Union concluded negotiations for the MERCOSUR-EU Partnership Agreement, where Brazil emphasized its commitment to transparency and inclusivity by allowing local communities, unions and non-governmental organizations to participate in monitoring the Agreement.²⁷⁸⁵ Brazil's participation in the Agreement and the provisions it has placed aims to foster greater investment and ensure that civilians can adequately benefit from it.

On 19 December 2024, Brazil voted in favour of a resolution on the "Request for an advisory opinion of the internal Court of Justice on the obligations of Israel in relation to the presence and activities of the United Nations, other international organizations and third States."²⁷⁸⁶ This demonstrates Brazil's commitment to bolstering the institutional effectiveness of the UN.

On 1 January 2025, Brazil took over the BRICS presidency with aims to create more inclusive global artificial intelligence governance, reform the multilateral peace and security architecture to improve effectiveness, as well as improve the structure of the BRICS, more broadly.²⁷⁸⁷ By leading and overseeing BRICS, Brazil is strengthening its commitment to promoting multilateralism and transparency within international institutions.

On 21 January 2025, Secretary for Economic and Financial Affairs Mauricio Carvalho Lyrio announced Brazil's launch of the Global Alliance against Hunger and Poverty under the G20 Task Force at the ECOSOC Financing for Development Forum.²⁷⁸⁸ The initiative highlights efforts to address climate change internationally and the reform of global governance institutions, including the Bretton Woods system and the World Trade

²⁷⁸⁵ FACTSHEET Mercosur-European Union Partnership Agreement, Government of Brazil (Brasília) 6 December 2024. Access Date: 27 March 2025. <https://www.gov.br/mre/en/content-centers/statements-and-other-documents/factsheet-mercosur-european-union-partnership-agreement-december-6-2024>

²⁷⁸⁶ Request for an advisory opinion of the International Court of Justice on the obligations of Israel in relation to the presence and activities of the United Nations, other international organizations and third States – GA draft Resolution (A/79/L.28/Rev.1) – Revised (Adopted on 19 Dec 2024), United Nations General Assembly (New York) 12 December 2024. Access Date: 30 June 2025. <https://www.un.org/unispal/document/request-for-an-advisory-opinion-icj-12dec24/>

²⁷⁸⁷ Brazil takes over the BRICS presidency in 2025, Government of Brazil (Brasília) 1 January 2025. Access Date: 28 March 2025. <https://www.gov.br/planalto/en/latest-news/2025/01/brazil-assumes-the-presidency-of-brics-in-2025>

²⁷⁸⁸ Address by Ambassador Mauricio Carvalho Lyrio, Secretary for Economic and Financial Affairs, at the 2024 ECOSOC Financing for Development (FfD) Forum, Government of Brazil (Brasília) 21 January 2025. Access Date: 27 March 2025. <https://www.gov.br/mre/en/content-centers/speeches-articles-and-interviews/diplomats/speeches/address-by-ambassador-mauricio-carvalho-lyrio-secretary-for-economic-and-financial-affairs-at-the-2024-ecosoc-financing-for-development-ffd-forum>

Organization (WTO). These efforts strengthen Brazil's commitment to multilateralism and growing international alliances.

On 28 February 2025, Brazil partnered with National Defence Canada on the Canada-Brazil Defence Cooperation Agreement, solidifying United Nations peacekeeping and defence procurement between the two countries.²⁷⁸⁹ This partnership aims to promote the representativeness and effectiveness of defence cooperation and bolster UN capabilities.

On 6 March 2025, the European Union and Brazil signed an agreement to strengthen and grow ties between Europol and the Brazilian Government for the prioritization of international security measures.²⁷⁹⁰ This agreement will allow for more effective and coordinated methods to fighting global crime, alongside reinforcing the relationship between Brazil and the EU.

On 13 March 2025, the German Federal Foreign Office published an article on Germany and Brazil's bilateral relations, highlighting their collaboration on the reform of the UN, particularly the expansion of the United Nations Security Council to include new permanent and non-permanent members, as well as cooperation in 30th Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change and the UN Human Rights Council in Geneva.²⁷⁹¹

On 28 March 2025, President Luiz Inácio Lula da Silva and Vietnamese President Luong Cuong launched a five-year action plan to collaborate on issues of defense, trade, agriculture, energy and technology as part of a larger plan to strengthen its relations with the Association of Southeast Asian Nations.²⁷⁹² Brazil aims to expand global exports and investments, as well as deepen ties through MERCOSUR.

On 24 April 2025, BRICS under the Brazilian presidency formally included civil society voices in its decision-making process during a meeting in Rio, marking a major step toward more inclusive and participatory governance within the group.²⁷⁹³

On 28 April 2025, Brazil hosted the first day of the BRICS Foreign Ministers Meeting in Rio de Janeiro City, where Minister of Foreign Affairs Mauro Vieira led a discussion on the main themes, including multilateral cooperation for peace and development as well as reforming international institutions for a more representative and long-lasting governance system.²⁷⁹⁴

²⁷⁸⁹ Canada-Brazil Defence Cooperation Agreement Enters into Force, National Defence Canada (Ottawa) 3 March 2025. Access Date: 28 March 2025. <https://www.canada.ca/en/department-national-defence/news/2025/03/canada-brazil-defence-cooperation-agreement-enters-into-force.html>

²⁷⁹⁰ EU and Brazil sign international agreement to fight organised crime and terrorism, Europol (The Hague) 6 March 2025. Access Date: 29 March 2025. <https://www.europol.europa.eu/media-press/newsroom/news/eu-and-brazil-sign-international-agreement-to-fight-organised-crime-and-terrorism>

²⁷⁹¹ Germany and Brazil: Bilateral relations, Federal Foreign Office (Berlin) 13 March 2025. Access Date: 19 May 2025. <https://www.auswaertiges-amt.de/en/aussenpolitik/brazil-228932>

²⁷⁹² Brazil, Vietnam officially launch Action Plan for 2025-2030, Government of Brazil (Brasília) 28 March 2025. Access Date: 29 March 2025. <https://www.gov.br/planalto/en/latest-news/2025/03/brazil-vietnam-officially-launch-action-plan-for-2025-2030>

²⁷⁹³ Civil Society at BRICS: Brasil promotes unprecedented dialog to align policies to popular demands, BRICS (Brasília) 24 April 2025. Access Date: 9 May 2025. <https://brics.br/en/news/civil-society-at-brics-brasil-promotes-unprecedented-dialog-to-align-policies-to-popular-demands>

²⁷⁹⁴ BRICS Foreign Ministers convey positions on reforming global governance, strengthening multilateralism, and promoting peace, BRICS (Rio de Janeiro) 28 April 2025. Access Date: 13 July 2025. <https://brics.br/en/news/brics-foreign-ministers-convey-positions-on-reforming-global-governance-strengthening-multilateralism-and-promoting-peace>

On 3 June 2025, Minister Vieira spoke about Brazil's concerns about the WTO Appellate Body and dispute settlement systems' diminishing capability to enforce global trade policies and stressed Brazil's goal of promoting inclusive, transparent and accountable trade.²⁷⁹⁵

On 3 June 2025, Minister Vieira emphasized the need to reform the WTO's structures thoroughly, such as by restoring the dispute settlement system's effectiveness to ensure the WTO is able to manage contemporary challenges such as subsidies and violations of the principle of non-discrimination.²⁷⁹⁶

On 4 June 2025, Minister Vieira gave an address at the Ministerial Council Meeting of the Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD), speaking about the importance of ensuring that the OECD's FDI Restrictiveness Index was operating with transparency and accountability.²⁷⁹⁷

On 5 June 2025, President Lula underscored the need for UNSC reform, particularly on increased representation from countries in Africa, South and Latin America, as well as Japan, Germany and India to French President Emmanuel Macron during his visit to France.²⁷⁹⁸

On 24 June 2025, Brazil released a joint statement with BRICS, calling out the nuclear attacks by Iran and emphasizing the BRICS member states' commitment towards upholding international law and democracy for peace and security, showing Brazil's continued efforts in sustaining and endorsing the principles of the UN system.²⁷⁹⁹

On 1 July 2025, Brazil took on the position of president of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA) Advisory Commission.²⁸⁰⁰ This demonstrates Brazil's commitment to multilateralism and cooperation.

On 5 July 2025, finance ministers from the BRICS member nations issued a proposal calling for significant reforms to the International Monetary Fund (IMF) after the BRICS ministerial meeting in Rio de Janeiro.²⁸⁰¹

²⁷⁹⁵ Address by Minister Mauro Vieira at the Ministerial Council Meeting of the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD), Government of Brazil (Brasília) 3 June 2025. Access Date: 22 August 2025.

<https://www.gov.br/mre/en/content-centers/speeches-articles-and-interviews/minister-of-foreign-affairs/speeches/mauro-vieira-2023/address-by-minister-mauro-vieira-at-the-ministerial-council-meeting-of-the-organisation-for-economic-co-operation-and-development-oecd>

²⁷⁹⁶ Address by Minister Mauro Vieira at the Informal WTO Ministerial Meeting - Paris, June 3, 2025, Government of Brazil (Brasília) 3 June 2025. Access Date: 22 August 2025. <https://www.gov.br/mre/en/content-centers/speeches-articles-and-interviews/minister-of-foreign-affairs/speeches/mauro-vieira-2023/address-by-minister-mauro-vieira-at-the-informal-wto-ministerial-meeting-paris-june-3-2025>

²⁷⁹⁷ Address by Minister Mauro Vieira at the Ministerial Council Meeting of the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD), Ministry of Foreign Affairs (Brasília) 4 June 2025. Access Date: 23 August 2025. <https://www.gov.br/mre/en/content-centers/speeches-articles-and-interviews/minister-of-foreign-affairs/speeches/mauro-vieira-2023/address-by-minister-mauro-vieira-at-the-ministerial-council-meeting-of-the-organisation-for-economic-co-operation-and-development-oecd-1>

²⁷⁹⁸ In Paris, Lula and Macron call for an end to conflicts in Gaza and Ukraine, Government of Brazil (Brasília) 8 June 2025. Access Date: 14 July 2025. <https://www.gov.br/planalto/en/latest-news/2025/06/in-paris-lula-and-macron-call-for-an-end-to-conflicts-in-gaza-and-ukraine>

²⁷⁹⁹ BRICS Joint Statement on the Escalation of the Security Situation in the Middle East Following Military Strikes on the Territory of the I.R. of Iran, Ministry of Foreign Affairs (Brasília) 24 June 2025. Access Date: 23 August 2025. <https://www.gov.br/mre/en/contact-us/press-area/press-releases/brics-joint-statement-on-the-escalation-of-the-security-situation-in-the-middle-east-following-the-military-strikes-on-the-territory-of-iran>

²⁸⁰⁰ Assunção pelo Brasil da Presidência da Comissão Consultiva da UNRWA, Ministério das Relações Exteriores (Brasília) 1 July 2025. Translation provided by Google Translate. Access Date: 22 August 2025. https://www.gov.br/mre/pt-br/canais_atendimento/imprensa/notas-a-imprensa/assuncao-pelo-brasil-da-presidencia-da-comissao-consultiva-da-unrwa

²⁸⁰¹ BRICS Ministers endorse joint declarations containing commitments to strengthen economic cooperation, BRICS (Rio de Janeiro) 6 July 2025. Access Date: 29 July 2025. <https://brics.br/en/news/brics-ministers-endorse-joint-declarations-containing-commitments-to-strengthen-economic-cooperation>

The statement highlighted the need to adjust the IMF's quota and voting system to improve the representation of low-income countries.

On 6 July 2025, BRICS adopted the Rio Declaration to reaffirm their commitment towards multilateralism and global governance under Brazil's leadership.²⁸⁰² This declaration called for the increased representation of developing countries within the UNSC and to reform the UN system more broadly to increase accountability, fairness and effectiveness.

On 7 July 2025, President Lula met with the Ethiopian Prime Minister Abiy Ahmed Ali to discuss and reaffirm BRICS' commitment to upholding multilateralism and reforming global institutions to strengthen international law and promote conflict resolution.²⁸⁰³

On 9 July 2025, President Lula met with Indonesian President Prabowo Subianto for the first time in Brazil and discussed the importance of global governance reform while strengthening the ties between the two countries.²⁸⁰⁴

On 21 July 2025, Brazil endorsed a joint declaration with Chile, Colombia, Spain and Uruguay for comprehensive UN reform to achieve fairer representation, overcome veto deadlock and establish accountability measures.²⁸⁰⁵ The agreement aims to advance global democratic participation and increase institutional transparency, supporting Brazil's commitment to improved multilateral governance.

On 23 July 2025, Brazil pushed countries to increase their efforts in endorsing the reform and restoration of the WTO to bolster the multilateral trading system at the WTO General Council Meeting.²⁸⁰⁶

On 25 July 2025, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs released a speech from the WTO General Council Meeting, where Brazil reiterated their strong commitment to working towards WTO reform.²⁸⁰⁷

On 28 July 2025, Brazil and Senegal co-chaired the working group, "Promoting Respect for International Law in Order to Implement the Two-State Solution," during the UN "High-level International Conference for the

²⁸⁰² Líderes do BRICS defendem multilateralismo e reforma da ONU em declaração da Cúpula do Rio de Janeiro, Presidência da República (Brasília) 6 July 2025. Translation provided by Google Translate. Access Date: 14 July 2025.

<https://www.gov.br/planalto/pt-br/acompanhe-o-planalto/noticias/2025/07/lideres-do-brics-defendem-multilateralismo-e-reforma-da-onu-em-declaracao-da-cupula-do-rio-de-janeiro>

²⁸⁰³ Lula e primeiro-ministro da Etiópia reforçam defesa do multilateralismo e cooperação comercial, Presidência da República (Brasília) 7 July 2025. Translation provided by Google Translate. Access Date: 11 August 2025. <https://www.gov.br/planalto/pt-br/acompanhe-o-planalto/noticias/2025/07/lula-e-primeiro-ministro-da-etioopia-reforcam-defesa-do-multilateralismo-e-cooperacao-comercial>

²⁸⁰⁴ "A sintonia entre dois países é mais relevante do que a distância que os separa", diz Lula após receber presidente da Indonésia, Presidência da República (Brasília) 9 July 2025. Translation provided by Google Translate. Access Date: 14 July 2025. <https://www.gov.br/planalto/pt-br/acompanhe-o-planalto/noticias/2025/07/a-sintonia-entre-dois-paises-e-mais-relevante-do-que-a-distancia-que-os-separa201d-diz-lula-apos-receber-presidente-da-indonesia>

²⁸⁰⁵ Reunião de Alto Nível "Democracia Sempre" - Declaração Conjunta - Santiago, Ministério das Relações Exteriores (Brasília) 21 July 2025. Translation provided by Google Translate. Access Date: 11 August 2025. https://www.gov.br/mre/pt-br/canais_atendimento/imprensa/notas-a-imprensa/reuniao-de-alto-nivel-democracia-sempre-declaracao-conjunta-santiago-21-07-2025

²⁸⁰⁶ Participação do Brasil na Reunião do Conselho Geral da OMC, Ministério das Relações Exteriores (Brasília) 23 July 2025.

Translation provided by Google Translate. Access Date: 23 August 2025. https://www.gov.br/mre/pt-br/canais_atendimento/imprensa/notas-a-imprensa/participacao-do-brasil-na-reuniao-do-conselho-geral-da-omc

²⁸⁰⁷ Brazil's Participation in the WTO General Council Meeting - "Respecting the Rules-based Multilateral Trading System" - Geneva, July 22–23, 2025, Ministry of Foreign Affairs (Brasília) 25 July 2025. Access Date: 23 August 2025.

<https://www.gov.br/mre/en/content-centers/speeches-articles-and-interviews/other-high-ranking-officials/speeches/brazils-participation-in-the-wto-general-council-meeting-201d-respecting-the-rules-based-multilateral-trading-system201d-geneva-july-22201323-2025>

Peaceful Settlement of the Question of Palestine and the Implementation of the Two-State Solution.”²⁸⁰⁸ The high-level plenary meeting and working groups facilitated discussions and consensus-building on concrete steps for international engagement and humanitarian action. This demonstrates Brazil’s commitment to bolstering the institutional effectiveness of the UN.

On 6 August 2025, Brazil filed a formal WTO complaint over US tariffs, thereby invoking WTO dispute procedures and pushing to recover the trade body’s effectiveness in the dispute-settlement system amidst global trade.²⁸⁰⁹

On 6 August 2025, Minister Vieira spoke about reforming the Organization of American States (OAS) to ensure it is able to work in tandem with the UN, with the Secretary-General of OAS Albert Ramdín in Rio de Janeiro.²⁸¹⁰

On 11 August 2025, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs announced that Minister Vieira would meet and discuss with the Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC), Thérèse Kayikwamba Wagner, on various topics, including UNSC reform.²⁸¹¹

On 19 August 2025, Secretary-General Maria Laura da Rocha spoke about Brazil’s continued efforts to reform the United Nations, emphasizing a “Call to Action on Global Governance Reform,” which Brazil spearheaded under their G20 presidency.²⁸¹² The initiative outlines reform of the UNSC, General Assembly and Economic and Social Council.

On 1 September 2025, the government of Brazil welcomed the renewal of the mandate of the UN Interim Force in Lebanon (UNFIL), underscoring the importance of the UNSC in safeguarding international security.²⁸¹³

On 23 September 2025, President Lula emphasized that strengthening democracy and combating inequality require renewed global cooperation, urging the international community to prioritize multilateral solutions during a statement at the UN General Assembly (UNGA).²⁸¹⁴

²⁸⁰⁸ High-level International Conference for the Peaceful Settlement of the Question of Palestine and the Implementation of the Two-State Solution, United Nations (New York) n.d. Access Date: 25 September 2025. <https://www.un.org/unispal/high-level-conference-two-state-solution-july2025>

²⁸⁰⁹ Brazil requests consultations at World Trade Organization over Trump’s tariffs, Aljazeera (Rio de Janeiro) 6 August 2025. Access Date: 22 August 2025. <https://www.aljazeera.com/economy/2025/8/6/brazil-requests-world-trade-organization-consultation-over-trump-tariffs>

²⁸¹⁰ Participação do Ministro de Estado das Relações Exteriores no 50º aniversário do Curso de Direito Internacional da Comissão Jurídica Interamericana, Ministério das Relações Exteriores (Brasília) 6 August 2025. Translation provided by Google Translate. Access Date: 23 August 2025. https://www.gov.br/mre/pt-br/canais_atendimento/imprensa/notas-a-imprensa/participacao-do-secretario-geral-da-oea-nas-comemoracoes-do-50o-aniversario-do-curso-de-direito-internacional-da-comissao-juridica-interamericana

²⁸¹¹ Visita da Ministra das Relações Exteriores da República Democrática do Congo, Thérèse Kayikwamba Wagner – Brasília, 11 de agosto, Ministério das Relações Exteriores (Brasília) 11 August 2025. Translation provided by Google Translate. Access Date: 23 August 2025. https://www.gov.br/mre/pt-br/canais_atendimento/imprensa/notas-a-imprensa/visita-da-ministra-das-relacoes-exteriores-da-republica-democratica-do-congo-therese-kayikwamba-wagner-2025-brasilia-11-de-agosto

²⁸¹² Discurso da Secretária-Geral na abertura do evento “As Novas Dinâmicas do Multilateralismo: Desafios e Oportunidades” - Brasília, 19 de agosto de 2025, Ministério das Relações Exteriores (Brasília) 19 August 2025. Translation provided by Google Translate. Access Date: 23 August 2025. <https://www.gov.br/mre/pt-br/centrais-de-conteudo/publicacoes/discursos-artigos-e-entrevistas/secretaria-geral/discursos/maria-laura-da-rocha-2023/discurso-da-secretaria-geral-emb-maria-laura-da-rocha-na-abertura-do-evento-201cas-novas-dinamicas-do-multilateralismo-desafios-e-oportunidades201d>

²⁸¹³ Renewal of the mandate of the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon, Ministério das Relações Exteriores (Brasília) 1 September 2025. Access Date: 28 October 2025. <https://www.gov.br/mre/en/contact-us/press-area/press-releases/renewal-of-the-mandate-of-the-united-nations-interim-force-in-lebanon>

²⁸¹⁴ Brazil | General Debate, United Nations (New York) 23 September 2025. Access Date: 10 October 2025. <https://gadebate.un.org/en/80/brazil>

On 25 September 2025, Brazil issued a joint statement with Germany, India and Japan on the prospects of the UNSC reform after the G4 meeting, which includes representation of the underrepresented and unrepresented regions and groups, as well as implementation of the UN80 process.²⁸¹⁵

On 26 September 2025, Minister Vieira participated in a trilateral meeting with the Minister of External Affairs of India, Minister in the presidency for Women, Youth, and Persons with Disabilities of South Africa on the sidelines of the 80th Session of the UNGA.²⁸¹⁶ The Ministers underscored the importance of the trilateral partnerships in “safeguarding and advancing the interests of the Global South,” as well as shared commitment of reforming multilateralism, advancing international humanitarian law and promoting sustainable development. They reiterated their support for the comprehensive reform of global governance institutions, namely the staff composition of the UN Secretariat, as well as organizations such as the UNSC, Peacebuilding Commission, UNRWA, WTO, IMF and G20.

On 24 October 2025, President Lula visited the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) Headquarters and ASEAN Secretariat underscoring continued ASEAN-Brazil relations.²⁸¹⁷ During the meeting with Secretary-General of ASEAN, President Lula reaffirmed Brazil’s commitment to strengthening cooperation with ASEAN on shared priority areas including energy, trade and investment and sustainable development. This demonstrates Brazil’s commitment to bolstering the institutional effectiveness of ASEAN.

Brazil has fully complied with its commitment to work for a reinvigorated and strengthened multilateral system, rooted in the purposes and principles of the UN Charter and international law, with renewed institutions and a reformed governance that is more representative, effective, transparent and accountable, reflecting the social, economic and political realities of the 21st century. Brazil has taken strong action to reform the UNSC under its BRICS chairmanship and other international organizations, including the OECD, WTO, MERCOSUR and Europol, to increase institutional representativeness, effectiveness and transparency in global governance.

Thus, Brazil receives a score of +1.

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Canada has partially complied with its commitment to work for a reinvigorated and strengthened multilateral system, rooted in the purposes and principles of the United Nations Charter and international law, with renewed institutions and a reformed governance that is more representative, effective, transparent and accountable, reflecting the social, economic and political realities of the 21st century.

On 6 December 2024, North Atlantic Treaty Organization allies including Canada released a joint statement to the Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe (OSCE) on Russia’s invasion of Ukraine where members reaffirmed their commitment to maintaining channels of communication to “to manage and mitigate risk, prevent escalation and build trust and confidence” and align with the principles of transparency at the OSCE Ministerial Council.²⁸¹⁸

²⁸¹⁵ G4 Ministerial Joint Statement, 25 September 2025, Permanent Mission of the Federal Republic of Germany to the United Nations (New York) 26 September 2025. Access Date: 10 October 2025. <https://new-york-un.diplo.de/un-en/2736578-2736578>

²⁸¹⁶ 13th IBSA Trilateral Ministerial Commission Meeting - Media Statement, Ministério das Relações Exteriores (Brasília) 26 September 2025. Access Date: 28 October 2025. <https://www.gov.br/mre/en/contact-us/press-area/press-releases/13th-ibsa-trilateral-ministerial-commission-meeting-media-statement>

²⁸¹⁷ President of Brazil pays a historic visit to the ASEAN Headquarters/ ASEAN Secretariat to strengthen ASEAN-Brazil Partnership, Association of Southeast Asian Nations (Jakarta) 24 October 2025. Access Date: 28 October 2025. <https://asean.org/president-of-brazil-pays-a-historic-visit-to-the-asean-headquarters-asean-secretariat-to-strengthen-asean-brazil-partnership/>

²⁸¹⁸ Thirty-First Meeting of the OSCE Ministerial Council, Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe (Malta) 6 December 2024. Access Date: 30 June 2025. <https://www.osce.org/files/f/documents/3/9/582397.pdf>

On 24 December 2024, Global Affairs Canada noted its commitment to leading, engaging and advocating for reform of the World Trade Organization (WTO) to ensure it aligns with the changing context of international trade in its 2023-2024 Departmental Results Report.²⁸¹⁹

On 18 February 2025, Global Affairs Canada reaffirmed its commitment to participating in the WTO reform agenda, citing its leadership within the Ottawa Group, where Canada collaborates and discusses with 13 WTO member states on how to strengthen, modernize and reform the WTO.²⁸²⁰

On 28 February 2025, National Defence Canada announced the Canada-Brazil Defence Cooperation Agreement, solidifying United Nations peacekeeping and defence procurement between the two countries.²⁸²¹ This partnership aims to promote the representativeness and effectiveness of defence cooperation and bolster UN capabilities.

On 14 March 2025, G7 Foreign Ministers released the G7 Foreign Ministers' Declaration on Maritime Security and Prosperity.²⁸²² The ministers reaffirmed the G7's commitment to "a free, open, and secure maritime domain based on the rule of law that strengthens international security, fosters economic prosperity, and ensures the sustainable use of marine resources." The ministers also reiterated their commitment to tackling the "Emerging Threat on Safe Seas and Freedom of Navigation and Overflight," "Safe Shipping and Supply Chain Security," "Sustainable Stewardship of Maritime Resources" and partnerships. This reflects their commitment to promoting dialogue between G7 members and stakeholders and bolstering the institutional effectiveness on matters related to maritime security and prosperity. They also released a joint statement that reaffirmed G7 support for "Ukraine's long-term prosperity and security," "Regional peace and stability in the Middle East," "Cooperation to increase security and resilience across the Indo-Pacific," "Building stability and resilience in Haiti and Venezuela," "Supporting lasting peace in Sudan and the Democratic Republic of the Congo" and "Strengthening sanctions and countering hybrid warfare and sabotage."²⁸²³ The joint statement reflects the G7's commitment to strengthening the institutional effectiveness of the G7.

On 1 May 2025, Prime Minister Mark Carney spoke with UN Secretary-General António Guterres and re-emphasized Canada's commitment to further UN reform.²⁸²⁴ This demonstrates Prime Minister Carney's alignment and continuity of Canada's previous goals of institutional reform.

On 16 May 2025, the Minister of Foreign Affairs Anita Anand, Minister of National Defence David McGuinty and Minister of Public Safety Gary Anandasangaree committed CAD40 million to supporting UN peace operations following the 2025 United Nations Peacekeeping Ministerial meeting.²⁸²⁵ The financial

²⁸¹⁹ Global Affairs Canada's 2023-24 Departmental Results Report, Global Affairs Canada (Ottawa) 24 December 2025. Access Date: 8 April 2025. <https://www.international.gc.ca/transparency-transparence/departamental-results-reports-rapport-resultats-ministeriels/2023-2024.aspx?lang=eng>

²⁸²⁰ Minister of Export Promotion, International Trade and Economic Development appearance before the Standing Committee on International Trade (CIIT) on the 2024 CIIT Study: Study on the Protection of Canada's Manufacturing Sector from Chinese Imports, Including Electric Vehicles, Global Affairs Canada (Ottawa) 18 February 2025. Access Date: 30 April 2025. <https://www.international.gc.ca/transparency-transparence/briefing-documents-information/parliamentary-committee-comite-parlementaire/2024-10-21-ciit.aspx?lang=eng>

²⁸²¹ Canada-Brazil Defence Cooperation Agreement Enters into Force, National Defence Canada (Ottawa) 3 March 2025. Access Date: 28 March 2025. <https://www.canada.ca/en/departement-national-defence/news/2025/03/canada-brazil-defence-cooperation-agreement-enters-into-force.html>

²⁸²² G7 Foreign Ministers' Declaration on Maritime Security and Prosperity, G7 Information Centre (Charlevoix) 14 March 2025. Access Date: 11 June 2025. <https://www.g7.utoronto.ca/foreign/250314-declaration.html>

²⁸²³ Joint statement of the G7 Foreign Ministers' Meeting in Charlevoix, G7 Information Centre (Charlevoix) 14 March 2025. Access Date: 11 June 2025. <https://www.g7.utoronto.ca/foreign/250314-statement.html>

²⁸²⁴ Prime Minister Carney speaks with United Nations Secretary-General António Guterres, Prime Minister of Canada (Ottawa) 1 May 2025. Access Date: 10 May 2025. <https://www.pm.gc.ca/en/news/readouts/2025/05/01/prime-minister-carney-speaks-united-nations-secretary-general-antonio>

²⁸²⁵ Canada strengthens support and commitments following 2025 United Nations Peacekeeping Ministerial meeting, Global Affairs Canada (Ottawa) 16 May 2025. Access Date: 7 June 2025. <https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2025/05/canada-strengthens-support-and-commitments-following-2025-united-nations-peacekeeping-ministerial-meeting.html>

commitments support training and capacity-building efforts in the areas of misinformation and disinformation, medical operations, peacekeeping training institutions and women in peace operations.²⁸²⁶

On 17 May 2025, Australia, Canada and New Zealand issued a joint statement following the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) meeting committing to support Korea as the 2025 APEC chair and condemning Russia's illegal invasion of Ukraine.²⁸²⁷ This initiative reaffirms Canada's commitment to upholding the

On 29 May 2025, Australia, Canada, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, Netherlands, New Zealand, South Korea, the United Kingdom and the United States as a part of the Multilateral Sanctions Monitoring Team issued a joint statement on unlawful military cooperation between North Korea and Russia, in violation of United Security Council resolutions.²⁸²⁸ The multilateral mechanism aims to monitor and report on sanction measures implemented by the United Nations. This initiative underscores ongoing to advancing UN's institutional effectiveness.

On 5 June 2025, Global Affairs Canada released a statement following Minister of International Trade Maninder Sidhu's attendance at the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) Ministerial Council Meeting and the WTO mini-ministerial meeting.²⁸²⁹ At the meeting, Minister Sidhu advocated for WTO reforms to ensure it reflects the current global order and trading system.

On 22 June 2025, President von der Leyen held a discussion with European Council President Costa and Canadian Prime Minister Mark Carney about the ongoing support the two parties had been providing to Ukraine, as well as the deepening of partnership through Horizon Europe and the EU-Canada Industrial Policy Dialogue.²⁸³⁰

On 23 June 2025, Canada released a joint statement which promised Canada's continued support towards the fulfilment of the UN Pact for the Future and UN80 Initiative to reform UN bodies.²⁸³¹

On 30 June 2025, the G7 Foreign Ministers, including Canada, released a statement endorsing the ceasefire between Israel and Iran, and condemning Iran for their use of nuclear weapons under the International Atomic

²⁸²⁶ Backgrounder - Canada's commitments at 2025 United Nations Peacekeeping Ministerial meeting, Global Affairs Canada (Ottawa) 17 May 2025. Access Date: 7 June 2025. <https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2025/05/backgrounder---canadas-commitments-at-2025-united-nations-peacekeeping-ministerial-meeting.html>

²⁸²⁷ Australia, Canada and New Zealand release statement following APEC Ministerial Meetings in Jeju, Korea, on Russia's illegal invasion of Ukraine, Global Affairs Canada (Ottawa) 17 May 2025. Access Date: 7 June 2025. <https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2025/05/australia-canada-and-new-zealand-release-statement-following-apec-ministerial-meetings-in-jeju-korea-on-russias-illegal-invasion-of-ukraine.html>

²⁸²⁸ Monitoring Team on the first report covering Democratic People's Republic of Korea-Russia military cooperation, Global Affairs Canada (Ottawa) 29 May 2025. Access Date: 7 June 2025. <https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2025/05/joint-statement-of-the-multilateral-sanctions-monitoring-team-on-the-first-report-covering-democratic-peoples-republic-of-korea-russia-military-coo.html>

²⁸²⁹ Minister Sidhu champions rules-based trade with Canada's Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development and World Trade Organization partners, Global Affairs Canada (Ottawa) 5 June 2025. Access Date: 6 July 2025. <https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2025/06/minister-sidhu-champions-rules-based-trade-with-canadas-organisation-for-economic-co-operation-and-development-and-world-trade-organization-partners.html>

²⁸³⁰ Statement by President von der Leyen at the joint press conference with President Costa and Prime Minister Carney of Canada, European Commission (Brussels) 22 June 2025. Access Date: 24 August 2025. https://ec.europa.eu/commission/presscorner/detail/en/statement_25_1596

²⁸³¹ Joint Statement: Enduring Partnership, Ambitious Agenda, Prime Minister of Canada (Ottawa) 23 June 2025. Access Date: 23 August 2025. <https://www.pm.gc.ca/en/news/statements/2025/06/23/joint-statement-enduring-partnership>

Energy Agency (IAEA).²⁸³² This demonstrates Canada's commitment to upholding the roles of international organizations and international law.

On 28 July 2025, Secretary of State for International Development Randeep Sarai participated in the "G20 Development Working Group Ministerial Meeting," continuing to foster multilateral ties and cooperating for peace, security and development.²⁸³³

On 28 July 2025, Canada, Mexico and Qatar co-chaired the working group, "Narrative for Peace," during the UN "High-level International Conference for the Peaceful Settlement of the Question of Palestine and the Implementation of the Two-State Solution."²⁸³⁴ The high-level plenary meeting and working groups facilitated discussions and consensus-building on concrete steps for international engagement and humanitarian action. This demonstrates Canada's commitment to bolstering the institutional effectiveness of the UN.

On 8 August 2025, Canada, along with G7 members in the G7 Rapid Response Mechanism (RRM), released a statement following the Hong Kong Arrest Warrants.²⁸³⁵ This statement highlighted the role of the G7 RRM as a protection for state sovereignty and the need for the RRM to protect these rights and freedoms.

On 9 August 2025, Global Affairs Canada released a statement on "International Day of World's Indigenous Peoples."²⁸³⁶ This statement affirmed Canada's commitment to supporting the work of Canada's Indigenous Working Group on Trade Policy and the UN Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues. Both bodies aim to further advance Indigenous peoples both domestically and on the global stage.

On 23 September 2025, the G7 Foreign Ministers released a joint statement following the Meeting of the G7 Foreign Ministers on the Margins of the High-Level Week at the United Nations General Assembly in New York.²⁸³⁷ In this statement, the ministers recognized the need for UN reform and committed to participating in those efforts.

On 25 September 2025, Minister Anand met with the Commissioner-General of the UN Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA) on the sidelines of the UNGA to underscore

²⁸³² Joint Statement of the G7 Foreign Ministers on Iran and the Middle East, Global Affairs Canada (Ottawa) 30 June 2025. Access Date: 23 August 2025. <https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2025/06/joint-statement-of-the-g7-foreign-ministers-on-iran-and-the-middle-east.html>

²⁸³³ Secretary of State Sarai concludes successful visit to Ethiopia and Tanzania and participation in G20 development ministers' meeting in South Africa, Global Affairs Canada (Ottawa) 28 July 2025. Access Date: 24 August 2025. <https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2025/07/secretary-of-state-sarai-concludes-successful-visit-to-ethiopia-and-tanzania-and-participation-in-g20-development-ministers-meeting-in-south-africa.html>

²⁸³⁴ High-level International Conference for the Peaceful Settlement of the Question of Palestine and the Implementation of the Two-State Solution, United Nations (New York) n.d. Access Date: 25 September 2025. <https://www.un.org/unispal/high-level-conference-two-state-solution-july2025>

²⁸³⁵ G7 Rapid Response Mechanism (RRM) Statement on Hong Kong Arrest Warrants, Global Affairs Canada (Ottawa) 8 August 2025. Access Date: 16 August 2025. <https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2025/08/g7-rapid-response-mechanism-rrm-statement-on-hong-kong-arrest-warrants.html>

²⁸³⁶ Statement on International Day of World's Indigenous Peoples, Global Affairs Canada (Ottawa) 9 August 2025. Access Date: 16 August 2025. <https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2025/08/statement-on-international-day-of-worlds-indigenous-peoples.html>

²⁸³⁷ Joint G7 Foreign Ministers' Statement – Meeting of the G7 Foreign Ministers on the Margins of the High-Level Week at the United Nations General Assembly in New York, Global Affairs Canada (New York) 23 September 2025. Access Date: 10 October 2025. <https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2025/09/joint-g7-foreign-ministers-statement--meeting-of-the-g7-foreign-ministers-on-the-margins-of-the-high-level-week-at-the-united-nations-general-assembly.html>

UNRWA's role in providing humanitarian aid.²⁸³⁸ Minister Anand also welcomed progress on UNRWA reforms (including the implementation of the Colonna recommendations).

On 26 September 2025, Minister of International Trade Maninder Sidhu welcomed the World Trade Organization's (WTO) Agreement on Fisheries Subsidies into force and encouraged all WTO members to submit their acceptance of the agreement if they have not yet done so.²⁸³⁹

On 26 September 2025, Minister Anand met with the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) Secretary General Mark Rutte on the sidelines of the UNGA.²⁸⁴⁰ Minister Anand reiterated Canada's commitment with NATO Allies in countering Russia's incursions in NATO airspace, as well as contributing to NATO and the North American Aerospace Defense Command's (NORAD) efforts in raising awareness about environmental threats in the Arctic region. This demonstrates Canada's commitment to bolstering the institutional effectiveness of NATO.

On 1 October 2025, the G7 Foreign Ministers and the High Representative of the European Union released a statement in support of the reimposition of UNSC sanctions and restrictions against Iran due to the government's failure to meet requirements under the Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action (JCPOA).²⁸⁴¹ This demonstrates the ministers' commitment to bolstering the institutional effectiveness of the UN.

On 8 October 2025, members of the G7 and the Nordic-Baltic 8++ (Belgium, Canada, Denmark, Estonia, European Union, Finland, France, Germany, Iceland, Italy, Japan, Latvia, Lithuania, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Sweden and the United Kingdom) released a joint statement committing to enhance cooperation and advance efforts on disrupting and deterring global shadow fleet activity.²⁸⁴² Members further reaffirmed their commitment to upholding international law such as the UN Convention on the Law of the Sea and acting in accordance with International Maritime Organization and International Labour Organization conventions and resolutions.

On 12 October 2025, Minister Sidhu participated at the G20 Trade and Investment Ministerial Meeting where he reiterated Canada's commitment to working with international partners to advance trade priorities.²⁸⁴³ This demonstrates Canada's commitment to bolstering the institutional effectiveness of the G20 as a forum to engage with developed and emerging economies.

On 17 October 2025, the G7 Development Ministers convened on the peripheries of the annual World Bank Group and International Monetary Fund meetings in Washington D.C. to identify opportunities for further

²⁸³⁸ Minister Anand meets with Commissioner-General of UN Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in Near East, Global Affairs Canada (New York) 25 September 2025. Access Date: 28 October 2025. <https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2025/09/minister-anand-meets-with-commissioner-general-of-un-relief-and-works-agency-for-palestine-refugees-in-near-east.html>

²⁸³⁹ Canada welcomes entry into force of World Trade Organization Agreement on Fisheries Subsidies, Global Affairs Canada (Ottawa) 26 September 2025. Access Date: 28 October 2025. <https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2025/09/canada-welcomes-entry-into-force-of-world-trade-organization-agreement-on-fisheries-subsidies.html>

²⁸⁴⁰ Minister Anand meets with Mark Rutte, NATO Secretary General, Global Affairs Canada (New York) 26 September 2025. Access Date: 28 October 2025. <https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2025/09/minister-anand-meets-with-mark-rutte-nato-secretary-general.html>

²⁸⁴¹ G7 Foreign Ministers Statement on Iran Sanctions Snapback, Global Affairs Canada (Ottawa) 1 October 2025. Access Date: 28 October 2025. <https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2025/10/g7-foreign-ministers-statement-on-iran-sanctions-snapback.html>

²⁸⁴² Joint statement: Shadow Fleet Task Force, Global Affairs Canada (Ottawa) 10 October 2025. Access Date: 28 October 2025. <https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2025/10/joint-statement-shadow-fleet-task-force.html>

²⁸⁴³ Minister Sidhu advances trade priorities at G20 Trade and Investment Ministers Meeting, Global Affairs Canada (Ottawa) 12 October 2025. Access Date: 28 October 2025. <https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2025/10/minister-sidhu-advances-trade-priorities-at-g20-trade-and-investment-ministers-meeting.html>

collaboration within the G7.²⁸⁴⁴ The Ministers also underscored the importance of reforms to multilateral institutions focus on institutional performance and outcomes such as “structural realignment, mandate streamlining, and enhanced efficiency.”

On 22 October 2025, Australia, Canada, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, Netherlands, New Zealand, South Korea, United Kingdom and United States as a part of the Multilateral Sanctions Monitoring Team issued their second joint statement on the unlawful military cooperation between North Korea and Russia, in violation of UNSC resolutions (UNSCRs).²⁸⁴⁵ The report underscores Canada’s commitment to the full implementation of UNSCRs. Further, the report calls on the UNSC to reimplement the Panel of Experts to maintain international security and hold the North Korea accountable in its violation and evasion of UN sanctions.

On 23 October 2025, the Ministers and high representatives of Armenia, Australia, Belgium, Canada, Chile, Colombia, Cyprus, Dominican Republic, Estonia, France, Germany, Iceland, Ireland, Kosovo, Latvia, Liberia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Mexico, Moldova, the Netherlands, North Macedonia, Norway, Portugal, Rwanda, Slovenia, Spain, Thailand, Ukraine, United Kingdom, Uruguay participated at the 4th Ministerial Conference on Feminist Foreign Policies.²⁸⁴⁶ The Joint Declaration demonstrates Canada’s commitment to upholding the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, UN principles and the UNSC Resolution 1325 (Women, Peace and Security agenda), advancing institutional reform of the UN and strengthening multilateral engagement.

On 24 October 2025, Minister Anita Anand issued a statement on United Nations Day reiterating Canada’s commitment to the UN and collaborating with partners to strengthen the UN system to ensure “that it is representative, accountable and effective in meeting these challenges and delivering the results urgently needed for today and tomorrow.”²⁸⁴⁷

On 29 October 2025, Natural Resources Canada and the Atlantic Council co-hosted the G7 ministerial meeting/2025 Summit on the Future of Energy Security to convene government leaders, civil society and industry representatives to strengthen coordination between stakeholders on energy security initiatives and bolster the institutional effectiveness of the G7.²⁸⁴⁸

On 1 November 2025, APEC Leaders from Australia, Brunei, Canada, Chile, China, Hong Kong, Indonesia, Japan, South Korea, Malaysia, Mexico, New Zealand, Papua New Guinea, Peru, Philippines, Russia, Singapore, Taiwan, Thailand, the United States and Vietnam released the APEC Leaders’ Declaration 2025.²⁸⁴⁹ Leaders

²⁸⁴⁴ G7 Development Ministers’ Chair’s Summary – Fostering partnerships for economic prosperity, Global Affairs Canada (Ottawa) 21 October 2025. Access Date: 28 October 2025. <https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2025/10/g7-development-ministers-chairs-summary--fostering-partnerships-for-economic-prosperity.html>

²⁸⁴⁵ Joint Statement of the Multilateral Sanctions Monitoring Team (MSMT) on the Report Covering DPRK Cyber and IT Worker Activities, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (Canberra) 22 October 2025. Access Date: 28 October 2025. <https://www.dfat.gov.au/news/media-release/joint-statement-multilateral-sanctions-monitoring-team-msmt-report-covering-dprk-cyber-and-it-worker-activities>

²⁸⁴⁶ Paris Joint Political Declaration on Achieving Gender Equality, Promoting Human Rights of All Women and Girls and Strengthening a Feminist Approach to Foreign Policy under the auspices of the 4th Ministerial Conference on Feminist Foreign Policies in Paris, October 22 and 23 2025, Global Affairs Canada (Ottawa) 28 October 2025. Access Date: 28 October 2025. <https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2025/10/paris-joint-political-declaration-on-achieving-gender-equality-promoting-human-rights-of-all-women-and-girls-and-strengthening-a-feminist-approach-.html>

²⁸⁴⁷ Statement on United Nations Day, Global Affairs Canada (Ottawa) 24 October 2025. Access Date: 28 October 2025. <https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2025/10/statement-on-united-nations-day.html>

²⁸⁴⁸ Summit on the Future of Energy Security, Atlantic Council (Washington D.C.) n.d. Access Date: 29 October 2025. <https://www.atlanticcouncil.org/event/summit-on-the-future-of-energy-security/>; Minister Hodgson to make funding announcements and give keynote addresses at Energy Innovation Forum and Atlantic Council Summit on the Future of Energy Security in Toronto, Natural Resources Canada (Toronto) 27 October 2025. Access Date: 29 October 2025. <https://www.canada.ca/en/natural-resources-canada/news/2025/10/minister-hodgson-to-make-funding-announcements-and-give-keynote-addresses-at-energy-innovation-forum-and-atlantic-council-summit-on-the-future-of-e.html>

²⁸⁴⁹ 2025年亚太经合组织领导人庆州宣言（摘要），中华人民共和国常驻联合国代表团 (Beijing) 1 November 2025. Translation provided by Google Translate. Access Date: 7 November 2025. https://un.china-mission.gov.cn/zgyw/202511/t20251101_11745424.htm

reiterated their commitment to advancing structural reforms that strengthen innovation, productivity and economic vitality.

On 2 November 2025, Australia, Canada and New Zealand issued a joint statement after the APEC Ministerial Meeting reiterating their support for Asia-Pacific Economic Council (APEC) and condemning Russia's actions that undermine economic cooperation and the work of the organization.²⁸⁵⁰

On 4 November 2025, Australia, Canada, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, Netherlands, New Zealand, Republic of Korea, United Kingdom and United States issued a joint statement on the Democratic People Republic of Korea's cyber and information technology activities that violate UNSCRs.²⁸⁵¹ The report underscores Canada's commitment to the full implementation of UNSCRs. Further, the report called on the UNSC to re-establish the Panel of Experts to bolster the institutional effectiveness of the UN.

Canada has partially complied with its commitment to work for a reinvigorated and strengthened multilateral system, rooted in the purposes and principles of the UN Charter and international law. Canada has taken moderate action in reiterating its commitment to reform international organizations such as the WTO and solidify the representativeness and effectiveness of a UN body. However, it has not taken action that meets the criteria of transparency and accountability.

Thus, Canada receives a score of 0.

Analyst: Ngila Stone

China: 0

China has partially complied with its commitment to work for a reinvigorated and strengthened multilateral system, rooted in the purposes and principles of the United Nations Charter and international law, with renewed institutions and a reformed governance that is more representative, effective, transparent and accountable, reflecting the social, economic and political realities of the 21st century.

On 19 February 2025, Foreign Minister Wang Yi underscored the importance of reforming the UN Security Council (UNSC) to reflect democratic principles and ensure representativeness of developing countries at the UNSC High-Level Meeting "Practicing Multilateralism, Reforming and Improving Global Governance."²⁸⁵² His remarks reflect China's commitment to address longstanding institutional injustices.

On 1 April 2025, Minister Wang and Russia's Foreign Minister Sergey Lavrov underscored the importance of aligning on international issues within multilateral forums including "the UN, the SCO [Shanghai Cooperation Organisation], BRICS, the G20, APEC [Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation]."²⁸⁵³ This demonstrates a commitment towards bolstering the institutional effectiveness of various intergovernmental organizations.

On 11 April 2025, China confirmed a USD500,000 contribution to help developing economies enhance their ability to participate fully in the multilateral trading system.²⁸⁵⁴ This action shows China's firm commitment to upholding the WTO while increasing inclusivity and representation in the organization.

²⁸⁵⁰ APEC Ministerial Meeting joint statement, Global Affairs Canada (Gyeongju) 2 November 2025. Access Date: 10 November 2025. <https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2025/11/apec-ministerial-meeting-joint-statement.html>

²⁸⁵¹ Multilateral Sanctions Monitoring Team (MSMT): Joint Statement on the Report Covering DPRK Cyber and IT Worker Activities, Federal Foreign Office (Brussels) 4 November 2025. Access Date: 7 November 2025. <https://www.auswaertiges-amt.de/en/newsroom/news/2741814-2741814>

²⁸⁵² Remarks by H.E. Wang Yi at the United Nations Security Council High-Level Meeting "Practicing Multilateralism, Reforming and Improving Global Governance", Ministry of Foreign Affairs (Beijing) 19 February 2025. Access Date: 8 April 2025. https://www.fmprc.gov.cn/eng/wjbzhd/202502/t20250219_11558555.html

²⁸⁵³ Press release on Chinese Foreign Minister Wang Yi's visit to the Russian Federation, The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation (Moscow) 1 April 2025. Access Date: 16 June 2025. https://mid.ru/en/foreign_policy/news/2006568/

²⁸⁵⁴ China gives USD 500,000 to support WTO-led training programmes for developing economies, World Trade Organization (Geneva) 11 April 2025. Access Date: 23 August 2025. https://www.wto.org/english/news_e/pres25_e/pr975_e.htm

On 24 April 2025, the governments of China and Kenya issued a joint statement during Kenyan President William Ruto's state visit, which emphasized their goal to promote unity and cooperation with the Global South.²⁸⁵⁵ The two governments reaffirmed their call for reform of the World Trade Organization to be more inclusive and equitable, and promised to strengthen coordination and cooperation for necessary reforms of the UNSC to enhance the representation and voice of the Global South in global governance systems.

On 28 April 2025, Minister Wang and Russia's Foreign Minister Sergey Lavrov reaffirmed their commitment to strengthening coordination in the UN, the SCO, BRICS and other international organizations.²⁸⁵⁶

On 14 May 2025, Defence Minister Dong Jun committed to new peacekeeping commitments, while also working towards reforming UN peacekeeping operations.²⁸⁵⁷

On 20 May 2025, China pushed out a Stability, Development, Reform (SDR) reform approach during the WTO General Council Meeting MC14, which urges the incorporation of the Investment Facilitation for Development Agreement.²⁸⁵⁸

On 27 May 2025, Premier Li Qiang delivered an address at the ASEAN (the Association of Southeast Asian Nations)-China-GCC (the Gulf Cooperation) Summit to reaffirm China's commitment to work with ASEAN and the GCC to align on development initiatives, macro policy and mobilizing resources and talents across borders.²⁸⁵⁹ His remarks reflect China's commitment to facilitating institutional effectiveness.

On 5 June 2025, Vice Foreign Minister Ma Zhaoxu met with the Chair of the Intergovernmental Negotiations on the UNSC Reform of the 79th Session of the UN General Assembly and Permanent Representative of Kuwait to the United Nations, Tareq M. A. M. Albanai and discussed reforming the UNSC to increase representation, particularly in developing countries and effectiveness.²⁸⁶⁰

On 6 June 2025, Minister Wang explained China's stance on counter-terrorism both regionally and abroad and made specific suggestions stating that BRICS member states work together to advance counter-terrorism cooperation and increase security within the region.²⁸⁶¹

²⁸⁵⁵ Joint Statement Between the People's Republic of China and the Republic of Kenya on Creating an Inspiring Example in the All-Weather China-Africa Community with a Shared Future for the New Era, Ministry of Foreign Affairs (Beijing) 24 April 2025. Access Date: 19 May 2025. https://www.mfa.gov.cn/eng/zy/gb/202504/t20250424_11603292.html

²⁸⁵⁶ Press release on Foreign Minister Sergey Lavrov's meeting with Chinese Foreign Minister Wang Yi on the sidelines of the BRICS Foreign Ministers Council, The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation (Moscow) 28 April 2025. Access Date: 15 June 2025. https://mid.ru/en/foreign_policy/news/2012255/

²⁸⁵⁷ China to Present New Peacekeeping Commitments, UN Defence Chief Says, Reuters (London) 13 May 2025. Access Date: 15 August 2025. <https://www.reuters.com/world/china/china-present-new-peacekeeping-commitments-un-defence-chief-says-2025-05-13/>

²⁸⁵⁸ Remarks by China's WTO Ambassador Li Chenggang at the WTO General Council Meeting, Ministry of Commerce of the People's Republic of China (Beijing) 20 May 2025. Access Date: 15 August 2025. https://wto.mofcom.gov.cn/meetingsandstatements/art/2025/art_349e85290dd14434af6a16f2ffb0b59d.html

²⁸⁵⁹ Remarks by Chinese Premier Li Qiang at the ASEAN-China-GCC Summit, Ministry of Foreign Affairs (Beijing) 28 May 2025. Access Date: 7 June 2025. https://www.fmprc.gov.cn/eng/xw/zyxw/202505/t20250528_11635023.html

²⁸⁶⁰ Vice Foreign Minister Ma Zhaoxu Meets with Chair of the Intergovernmental Negotiations on the United Nations Security Council Reform of the 79th Session of the UN General Assembly Tareq M. A. M. Albanai, Ministry of Foreign Affairs Republic of China (Beijing) 9 June 2025. Access Date: 23 August 2025. https://www.fmprc.gov.cn/eng/xw/wjbxw/202506/t20250610_11645137.html

²⁸⁶¹ Head of the Department of Security Cooperation of the Foreign Ministry Leads A Delegation to Attend the Tenth Meeting of the BRICS Counter-Terrorism Working Group, Ministry of Foreign Affairs Republic of China (Beijing) 10 June 2025. Access Date: 23 August 2025. https://www.fmprc.gov.cn/eng/xw/wjbxw/202506/t20250612_11646330.html

On 9 June 2025, Minister Ma met with the Executive Director of the Secretariat of APEC and emphasized how APEC should continue advocating for multilateralism and an open economy.²⁸⁶² Minister Ma also pledged to support the APEC Secretariat, particularly during their hosting of APEC in 2026, for greater cooperation in the Asia-Pacific.

On 19 June 2025, Assistant Foreign Minister Miao Deyu stressed China's ongoing efforts to uphold multilateralism amidst the troubling international atmosphere and reiterated China's willingness to work with the United Nations to improve the effectiveness of the UN system to the UN Under-Secretary-General for Global Communications Melissa Fleming.²⁸⁶³

On 25 June 2025, Vice Foreign Minister Miao emphasized China's commitment to the UN and working to ensure the UN continues to remain a pillar in the global governance system in a meeting with United Nations Office for Project Services (UNOPS) Executive Director Jorge Moreira da Silva.²⁸⁶⁴

On 2 July 2025, Minister Miao met with the representatives from Bahrain, Colombia, the Democratic Republic of Congo, Latvia and Liberia who attended the "Seminar on Multilateral Affairs for Newly Elected Non-Permanent Members of the UNSC" and discussed the need to support the Security Council in fulfilling its role, as well as cooperation to advance multilateralism and international law.²⁸⁶⁵

On 6 July 2025, Premier Li stressed the importance of pushing for global governance reform as the international rules and order are increasingly under threat at the 17th BRICS Leaders' Summit held in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.²⁸⁶⁶ At the end of the two-day summit, China signed the BRICS Declaration, which endorsed comprehensive reform of the UN system, the World Bank and the IMF.

On 7 July 2025, Premier Li spoke at the plenary session of "Peace and Security and Reform of Global Governance" during the 17th BRICS Summit, emphasizing the importance of recognizing, engaging in or endorsing the need for global governance reform.²⁸⁶⁷ Premier Li noted China's belief in cooperating with other countries to advance comprehensive reform.

On 15 July 2025, Premier Li met Australian Prime Minister Anthony Albanese and emphasized the need to increase cooperation between the two nations within international organizations such as the UN, WTO and APEC, to continue fostering and upholding an inclusive multilateral system.²⁸⁶⁸

²⁸⁶² Vice Foreign Minister Ma Zhaoxu Meets with Executive Director of the APEC Secretariat Eduardo Pedrosa, Ministry of Foreign Affairs Republic of China (Beijing) 9 June 2025. Access Date: 23 August 2025.

https://www.fmprc.gov.cn/eng/xw/wjbxw/202506/t20250610_11645140.html

²⁸⁶³ Assistant Foreign Minister Miao Deyu Meets with U.N. Under-Secretary-General for Global Communications Melissa Fleming, Ministry of Foreign Affairs Republic of China (Beijing) 20 June 2025. Access Date: 23 August 2025.

https://www.fmprc.gov.cn/eng/xw/wjbxw/202506/t20250624_11657951.html

²⁸⁶⁴ Vice Foreign Minister Miao Deyu Meets with UNOPS Executive Director Jorge Moreira da Silva, Ministry of Foreign Affairs Republic of China (Beijing) 25 June 2025. Access Date: 23 August 2025.

https://www.fmprc.gov.cn/eng/xw/wjbxw/202506/t20250627_11660619.html

²⁸⁶⁵ Vice Foreign Minister Miao Deyu Meets with Representatives Attending Seminar on Multilateral Affairs for Newly Elected Non-Permanent Members of the United Nations Security Council, Ministry of Foreign Affairs Republic of China (Beijing) 2 July 2025. Access Date: 23 August 2025. https://www.fmprc.gov.cn/eng/xw/wjbxw/202507/t20250705_11665913.html

²⁸⁶⁶ The Rio Summit Underscores BRICS' Growing Role in a Shifting World Order, Beijing Review (Beijing) 11 July 2025. Access Date: 13 July 2025. https://www.bjreview.com/Opinion/Voice/202507/t20250711_800408035.html

²⁸⁶⁷ Remarks by Chinese Premier Li Qiang at the session on peace and security and global governance reform of the XVII BRICS Summit, Ministry of Foreign Affairs Republic of China (Beijing) 7 July 2025. Access Date: 23 August 2025. https://www.fmprc.gov.cn/eng/xw/zyjh/202507/t20250707_11666502.html

²⁸⁶⁸ Li Qiang Holds the 10th China-Australia Annual Leaders' Meeting with Australian Prime Minister Anthony Albanese, Ministry of Foreign Affairs People's Republic of China (Beijing) 15 July 2025. Access Date: 23 August 2025. https://www.fmprc.gov.cn/mfa_eng/xw/zyxw/202507/t20250725_11677102.html

On 19 July 2025, Minister Miao and the Special Representative of the UN Secretary-General for the Central African Republic and Head of the UN Multidimensional Integrated Stabilization Mission in the Central African Republic Valentine Rugwabiza discussed reforming the UN peacekeeping operations.²⁸⁶⁹

On 23 July 2025, Director-General of the Department of Asian Affairs of the Foreign Ministry Liu Jinsong spoke with Director-General of the Department of ASEAN Affairs of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Thailand Bolbongse Vangphaen and other representatives.²⁸⁷⁰ This aligns with China's commitment to bolstering the institutional effectiveness of ASEAN through a renewed commitment to future collaboration.

On 24 July 2025, Vice Foreign Minister Sun Weidong discussed with Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) Secretary-General Kao Kim Hourn about the necessity of reinforcing inclusive multilateralism and upholding the multilateral trading system.²⁸⁷¹

On 14 August 2025, China discussed the importance of upholding peace and stability in the South China Sea and also emphasized the necessity of strengthening cooperation to comprehensively enforce the Declaration on the Conduct of Parties in the South China Sea (DOC) at the 24th ASEAN-China Senior Officials Meeting on the Implementation of the DOC in Kuching, Malaysia.²⁸⁷²

On 1 September 2025, during the Shanghai Cooperation Organization, President Xi Jinping unveiled the Global Governance Initiative, which serves as a testimony towards China's commitment to strengthening global governance.²⁸⁷³ This is in accordance with President Xi's fourth global initiative, where he pushes for sovereign equality, protecting the rule of law, multicultural representation, people-driven policies and stronger action.

On 24 September 2025, Premier Li stated that China would refrain from using the "special and differential treatment."²⁸⁷⁴ This action is representative of China's support towards WTO reform, as the "special and differential treatment," is one of the items on the WTO reform agenda due to the biased trade treatments it offers certain countries over others.

On 15 October 2025, China's Permanent Representative to the UN Fu Cong called for comprehensive planning, clear direction and real results before concrete steps are taken to reform the UN.²⁸⁷⁵

On 23 October 2025, Ambassador Sun Lei delivered a speech at the Mandate Formulation Consultations of the Ad Hoc Working Group on the UN80 Reform Initiative where he highlighted four key points on how to

²⁸⁶⁹ Vice Foreign Minister Miao Deyu Meets with Special Representative of the United Nations Secretary-General for the Central African Republic and Head of the United Nations Multidimensional Integrated Stabilization Mission in the Central African Republic Valentine Rugwabiza, Ministry of Foreign Affairs Republic of China (Beijing) 19 July 2025. Access Date: 23 August 2025. https://www.fmprc.gov.cn/eng/xw/wjbxw/202507/t20250722_11675039.html

²⁸⁷⁰ Director-General of the Department of Asian Affairs of the Foreign Ministry Liu Jinsong Meets with Director-General of the Department of ASEAN Affairs of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Thailand, Ministry of Foreign Affairs People's Republic of China (Beijing) 23 July 2025. Access Date: 24 August 2025. https://www.fmprc.gov.cn/eng/xw/wjbxw/202507/t20250726_11677630.html

²⁸⁷¹ Vice Foreign Minister Sun Weidong Exchanges Views with Secretary-General of ASEAN Kao Kim Hourn on China-ASEAN Cooperation, Ministry of Foreign Affairs Republic of China (Beijing) 26 July 2025. Access Date: 23 August 2025. https://www.fmprc.gov.cn/eng/xw/wjbxw/202507/t20250730_11679733.html

²⁸⁷² The 24th ASEAN-China Senior Officials' Meeting on the Implementation of the Declaration on the Conduct of Parties in the South China Sea Held in Kuching, Malaysia, Ministry of Foreign Affairs Republic of China (Beijing) 14 August 2025. Access Date: 23 August 2025. https://www.fmprc.gov.cn/eng/xw/wjbxw/202508/t20250818_11691665.html

²⁸⁷³ Xi unveils Global Governance Initiative at SCO, People's Daily (Beijing) 2 September 2025. Access Date: 14 October 2025. <https://www.scochina2025.org.cn/en/n3/2025/0902/c518818-20361093.html>

²⁸⁷⁴ WTO hails Chinese decision to forgo developing country benefits, Reuters (Geneva) 24 September 2025. Access Date: 20 October 2025. <https://www.reuters.com/world/china-says-it-wont-change-developing-country-status-will-forgo-benefits-2025-09-24/>

²⁸⁷⁵ Prudence should be watchword so UN reform stands test of time, China Daily (Beijing) 17 October 2025. Access Date: 20 October 2025. <https://global.chinadaily.com.cn/a/202510/17/WS68f17ac9a310f735438b5708.html>

balance different priorities in the UN80 reform process.²⁸⁷⁶ He stated that streamlining reform should enhance the efficiency and resilience of the UN system, emphasizing practical results and operations to maximize resource effectiveness. In addition, Ambassador Sun distinguished between the roles of member states and the Secretariat, with the former formulating the mandates while the latter focusing on strengthening technical and analytical supports.

On 24 October 2025, Ambassador Fu delivered a speech at the UNSC Open Meeting on “Looking Forward to the Future of the United Nations.”²⁸⁷⁷ He called on member states to uphold sovereignty and dignity, abide by the international rule of law and the purposes and principles of the UN Charter, practice multilateralism, improve global governance through reform and take an action-oriented approach by delivering practical solutions.

On 27 October 2025, Premier Li participated in the China-ASEAN Summit where he reiterated the importance of strengthening coordinated actions between China and ASEAN countries.²⁸⁷⁸ Premier Li underscored the importance of openness and cooperation in Southeast Asia to bolster development strategies and secure industrial and supply chains.

On 28 October 2025, Ambassador Fu delivered a speech at the 80th UNGA plenary session on the “Necessity of ending the US economic, commercial and financial embargo against Cuba.”²⁸⁷⁹ Ambassador Fu stated how “a few Western countries, including the United States” violate the purposes and principles of the UN Charter, calling on states to comply with established norms and the legitimacy of the UN system. He called on member states to strengthen multilateral institutions and international rules-based order.

On 1 November 2025, APEC Leaders from Australia, Brunei, Canada, Chile, China, Hong Kong, Indonesia, Japan, South Korea, Malaysia, Mexico, New Zealand, Papua New Guinea, Peru, Philippines, Russia, Singapore, Taiwan, Thailand, the United States and Vietnam released the APEC Leaders’ Declaration 2025.²⁸⁸⁰ Leaders reiterated their commitment to advancing structural reforms that strengthen innovation, productivity and economic vitality.

China has partially complied with its commitment to work for a reinvigorated and strengthened multilateral system, rooted in the purposes and principles of the UN Charter and international law, as China has not taken strong actions to directly reform at least one UN body or other international organization. China has taken moderate actions by verbally affirming and endorsing global institutional reform for the UNSC, World Bank and IMF for representativeness and effectiveness. However, it has not taken strong action that meets the criteria of transparency and accountability.

Thus, China receives a score of 0.

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²⁸⁷⁶ 孙磊大使在“联合国80周年改革倡议”特设工作组“授权制定”磋商中的发言, 中华人民共和国常驻联合国代表团 (Beijing) 23 October 2025. Translation provided by Google Translate. Access Date: 29 October 2025. https://un.china-mission.gov.cn/hyyfy/202510/t20251024_11739699.htm

²⁸⁷⁷ 傅聪大使在安理会“展望联合国未来”公开会上的发言, 商业和金融封锁”的发言, 中华人民共和国常驻联合国代表团 (Beijing) 27 October 2025. Translation provided by Google Translate. Access Date: 29 October 2025. https://un.china-mission.gov.cn/hyyfy/202510/t20251025_11740364.htm

²⁸⁷⁸ Foreign Ministry Spokesperson Guo Jiakun’s Regular Press Conference on October 28, 2025, Ministry of Foreign Affairs (Beijing) 28 October 2025. Access Date: 28 October 2025. https://www.fmprc.gov.cn/eng/xw/fyrbt/202510/t20251028_11742618.html

²⁸⁷⁹ 傅聪大使在第80届联大全会审议议题38“必须终止美国对古巴的经济、商业和金融封锁”的发言, 中华人民共和国常驻联合国代表团 (Beijing) 28 October 2025. Translation provided by Google Translate. Access Date: 29 October 2025. https://un.china-mission.gov.cn/hyyfy/202510/t20251029_11743017.htm

²⁸⁸⁰ 2025年亚太经合组织领导人庆州宣言 (摘要), 中华人民共和国常驻联合国代表团 (Beijing) 1 November 2025. Translation provided by Google Translate. Access Date: 7 November 2025. https://un.china-mission.gov.cn/zgyw/202511/t20251101_11745424.htm

France: 0

France has partially complied with its commitment to work for a reinvigorated and strengthened multilateral system, rooted in the purposes and principles of the United Nations Charter and international law, with renewed institutions and a reformed governance that is more representative, effective, transparent and accountable, reflecting the social, economic and political realities of the 21st century.

On 21 November 2024, Deputy Permanent Representative of France to the UN Jay Dharmadhikari reiterated France's commitment to reform of the UN Security Council (UNSC), emphasizing the need to increase representativeness within the UNSC.²⁸⁸¹ He called for the expansion of the Council, with permanent membership to the Group of 4, Germany, Brazil, India and Japan, as well as Africa, to better reflect the current global order and voices within countries.

On 5 December 2024, Minister for Europe and Foreign Affairs Jean-Noël Barrot met and spoke with Minister of State and Foreign Affairs of Portugal Paulo Rangel about the importance of reforming international institutions, particularly to expand the representation of countries in the UNSC and the effectiveness of the UN body.²⁸⁸²

On 6 December 2024, North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) allies including France released a joint statement to the Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe (OSCE) on Russia's invasion of Ukraine where members reaffirmed their commitment to maintaining channels of communication to "to manage and mitigate risk, prevent escalation and build trust and confidence" and align with the principles of transparency at the OSCE Ministerial Council.²⁸⁸³

On 14 March 2025, G7 Foreign Ministers released the G7 Foreign Ministers' Declaration on Maritime Security and Prosperity.²⁸⁸⁴ The ministers reaffirmed the G7's commitment to "a free, open, and secure maritime domain based on the rule of law that strengthens international security, fosters economic prosperity, and ensures the sustainable use of marine resources." The ministers also reiterated their commitment to tackling the "Emerging Threat on Safe Seas and Freedom of Navigation and Overflight," "Safe Shipping and Supply Chain Security," "Sustainable Stewardship of Maritime Resources" and partnerships. This reflects their commitment to promoting dialogue between G7 members and stakeholders and bolstering the institutional effectiveness on matters related to maritime security and prosperity. They also released a joint statement that reaffirmed G7 support for "Ukraine's long-term prosperity and security," "Regional peace and stability in the Middle East," "Cooperation to increase security and resilience across the Indo-Pacific," "Building stability and resilience in Haiti and Venezuela," "Supporting lasting peace in Sudan and the Democratic Republic of the Congo" and "Strengthening sanctions and countering hybrid warfare and sabotage."²⁸⁸⁵ The joint statement reflects the G7's commitment to strengthening the institutional effectiveness of the G7.

²⁸⁸¹ Réforme du CSNU : l'élargissement du Conseil de sécurité est indispensable, Mission Permanente de la France auprès des Nations Unies à New York (New York) 21 November 2024. Translation Provided by Google Translate. Access Date: 19 May 2025. <https://onu.delegfrance.org/reforme-du-csnu-l-elargissement-du-conseil-de-securite-est-indispensable>

²⁸⁸² Meeting between M. Jean-Noël Barrot and his Portuguese counterpart, Mr Paulo Rangel, Ministère de l'Europe et des Affaires étrangères (Paris) 5 December 2024. Access Date: 8 April 2025. <https://www.diplomatie.gouv.fr/en/country-files/portugal/events/article/meeting-between-m-jean-noel-barrot-and-his-portuguese-counterpart-mr-paulo>

²⁸⁸³ Thirty-First Meeting of the OSCE Ministerial Council, Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe (Malta) 6 December 2024. Access Date: 30 June 2025. <https://www.osce.org/files/f/documents/3/9/582397.pdf>

²⁸⁸⁴ G7 Foreign Ministers' Declaration on Maritime Security and Prosperity, G7 Information Centre (Charlevoix) 14 March 2025. Access Date: 11 June 2025. <https://www.g7.utoronto.ca/foreign/250314-declaration.html>

²⁸⁸⁵ Joint statement of the G7 Foreign Ministers' Meeting in Charlevoix, G7 Information Centre (Charlevoix) 14 March 2025. Access Date: 11 June 2025. <https://www.g7.utoronto.ca/foreign/250314-statement.html>

On 31 March 2025, the governments of France and Mexico welcomed Armenia's decision to joining their effort in restricting the Security Council's veto powers.²⁸⁸⁶ This declaration reflects France's commitment to reforming the Security Council and promote effective multilateralism.

On 1 April 2025, the French Embassy in India announced that during its presidency of the UNSC for the month of April, France would lead discussions on UNSC reform, which includes giving India a permanent seat.²⁸⁸⁷

On 3 April 2025, Minister Barrot delivered a speech on the NATO Foreign Ministers Meeting underscoring the importance of solidarity between NATO members amid threats to security and defense, and territorial integrity and sovereignty.²⁸⁸⁸

On 25 April 2025, Minister of Economy, Finance, Industrial and Digital Sovereignty Eric Lombard reaffirmed France's engagement to work on approaches for guiding an International Monetary Fund (IMF) quota share realignment under the 17th General review of Quotas during his IMFC statement.²⁸⁸⁹ This demonstrates France's call for increased institutional representativeness at the IMF and the World Bank.

On 29 May 2025, Australia, Canada, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, Netherlands, New Zealand, South Korea, United Kingdom and United States as a part of the Multilateral Sanctions Monitoring Team issued a joint statement on unlawful military cooperation between North Korea and Russia, in violation of UNSC resolutions.²⁸⁹⁰ The multilateral mechanism aims to monitor and report on sanction measures implemented by the United Nations. This initiative underscores ongoing to advancing the UN's institutional effectiveness.

On 29 May 2025, Deputy Legal Advisor for the Permanent Mission of France to the UN Hugo Wavrin emphasized the need to reform the UNSC to strengthen representation and effectiveness.²⁸⁹¹ He further endorsed the Caribbean Community (CARICOM)'s efforts to increase the number of both permanent and non-permanent seats in the UNSC, as it aligns with the reform model.

On 6 June 2025, France stated its support for the four judges and the ICC, pledging commitment to help sustain the important role of the Court in the international criminal justice system in response to the additional American sanctions against four International Criminal Court (ICC) judges.²⁸⁹²

On 23 June 2025, Permanent Representative of France to the UN Jérôme Bonnafont called for a reform of the UNSC by increasing its representation to better reflect contemporary realities and respond to current

²⁸⁸⁶ UN – Armenia signs on to French-Mexican initiative to regulate veto powers at the Security Council (31 March 2025), Ministère de l'Europe et des Affaires étrangères (Paris) 31 March 2025. Access Date: 20 May 2025. <https://www.diplomatie.gouv.fr/en/french-foreign-policy/france-and-the-united-nations/news-and-events/article/un-armenia-signs-on-to-french-mexican-initiative-to-regulate-veto-powers-at-the>

²⁸⁸⁷ France reiterates call for UNSC reform to give India permanent seat (New Delhi) 1 April 2025. Access Date: 19 May 2025. <https://www.indianarrative.com/india-news/france-reiterates-call-for-uns-c-reform-to-give-india-permanent-seat-168917.html>

²⁸⁸⁸ The efforts led by France and the United Kingdom must enable a huge boost in support for Ukraine, Embassy of France in Washington D.C. (Washington D.C.) 4 April 2025. Access Date: 8 June 2025. <https://franceintheus.org/spip.php?article11686>

²⁸⁸⁹ IMFC Statement by Eric Lombard, Minister of Economy, Finance, Industrial and Digital Sovereignty, France, International Monetary and Financial Committee (Washington D.C.) 25 April 2025. Access Date: 3 September 2025. <https://meetings.imf.org/en/2025/Spring/Statements#statements>

²⁸⁹⁰ Joint Statement of the Multilateral Sanctions Monitoring Team (MSMT) on the first report covering DPRK-Russia Military Cooperation, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (Canberra) 30 March 2025. Access Date: 6 June 2025. <https://www.dfat.gov.au/news/media-release/joint-statement-multilateral-sanctions-monitoring-team-msmt-first-report-covering-dprk-russia-military-cooperation>

²⁸⁹¹ France supports reforms aimed at improving the representativeness of the Security Council, Permanent mission of France to the United Nations in New York (New York) 29 May 2025. Access Date: 13 July 2025. <https://onu.delegfrance.org/france-supports-reforms-aimed-at-improving-the-representativeness-of-the>

²⁸⁹² UN – American sanctions against four International Criminal Court judges (June 6, 2025), Ministry of Europe and Foreign Affairs (Paris) 6 June 2025. Access Date: 23 August 2025. <https://www.diplomatie.gouv.fr/en/french-foreign-policy/france-and-the-united-nations/news-and-events/news/article/un-american-sanctions-against-four-international-criminal-court-judges-june-6>

challenges.²⁸⁹³ This echoes the motive of Minister Barrot, in his meeting with the Portuguese Minister of State and Foreign Affairs last year, which showcases France's consistent effort in UNSC reform.

On 30 June 2025, the G7 Foreign Ministers, including France, released a statement endorsing the ceasefire between Israel and Iran and condemning Iran for their use of nuclear weapons under the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA).²⁸⁹⁴ This supports France's commitment to upholding the roles of international organizations and international law.

On 10 July 2025, the United Kingdom and France released a joint declaration after the 37th UK-France Summit, emphasizing their commitment to upholding multilateralism and collaborating to reform the UN.²⁸⁹⁵

On 24 July 2025, France worked with 40 other states to investigate the human rights issues faced by Ukrainian prisoners of war in Russia and pledged support for the Ukrainian people.²⁸⁹⁶ France also emphasized Russia's illegal actions under international law, reiterating its commitment to international law and upholding UN principles.

On 25 July 2025, France condemned all independent acts of deep-sea mining as running contrary to international law at the 30th Session of the International Seabed Authority (ISA) Assembly and Council.²⁸⁹⁷ France also emphasized the importance of enforcing transparent ISA rules for member countries, showing its commitment to advancing transparency within the international organization.

On 30 July 2025, Minister Barrot met with UN Secretary General António Guterres and discussed France's recognition of the State of Palestine as well as Iran's nuclear usage, emphasizing the need for a resolution under international law.²⁸⁹⁸ This action aligns with France's commitment to upholding international law rooted in UN principles and advancing the effectiveness of the multilateral system.

On 1 August 2025, Permanent Representative of France to the United Nations in New York Jérôme Bonnafont called for reform of the UN system, particularly in administration and mandates implementation.²⁸⁹⁹

²⁸⁹³ France reiterates its commitment to reforming the Security Council, Mission permanente de la France auprès des Nations unies à New York (New York) 23 June 2025. Access Date: 7 July 2025. <https://onu.delegfrance.org/france-reiterates-its-commitment-to-reforming-the-security-council>

²⁸⁹⁴ Joint Statement of the G7 Foreign Ministers on Iran and the Middle East, Global Affairs Canada (Ottawa) 30 June 2025. Access Date: 23 August 2025. <https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2025/06/joint-statement-of-the-g7-foreign-ministers-on-iran-and-the-middle-east.html>

²⁸⁹⁵ UK-France Leaders Declaration, Government of the United Kingdom (London) 10 July 2025. Access Date: 15 July 2025. <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/uk-france-leaders-declaration>

²⁸⁹⁶ OSCE – Invocation of the Moscow Mechanism (24 July 2025), Ministry of Europe and Foreign Affairs (Paris) 24 July 2025. Access Date: 23 August 2025. <https://www.diplomatie.gouv.fr/en/country-files/russia/news/2025/article/osce-invocation-of-the-moscow-mechanism-24-07-25>

²⁸⁹⁷ 30th session of the International Seabed Authority (ISA) Assembly and Council (25 July 2025), Ministry for Europe and Foreign Affairs (Paris) 25 July 2025. Access Date: 23 August 2025. <https://www.diplomatie.gouv.fr/en/french-foreign-policy/climate-and-environment/news/2025/article/30th-session-of-the-international-seabed-authority-isa-assembly-and-council-25>

²⁸⁹⁸ UN – Two-State Solution Conference – Meeting between Minister for Europe and Foreign Affairs Jean-Noël Barrot and UN Secretary-General António Guterres (July 30, 2025), Ministry for Europe and Foreign Affairs (New York) 30 July 2025. Access Date: 23 August 2025. <https://www.diplomatie.gouv.fr/en/country-files/israel-palestinian-territories/news/2025/article/un-two-state-solution-conference-meeting-between-minister-for-europe-and>

²⁸⁹⁹ Reunion informelle de L'assemblée General – Exposé du Secrétaire General sur L'initiative ONU80: Presentation du Rapport sur la mise en Œuvre des Mandats, Mission Permanente de la France auprès des Nations Unies à New York (New York) 1 August 2025. Translation Provided by Google Translate. Access Date: 10 August 2025. <https://onu.delegfrance.org/france-calls-for-ambitious-reform-of-the-un-system>

On 8 August 2025, France along with G7 members in the G7 Rapid Response Mechanism (RRM) released a statement following the Hong Kong Arrest Warrants.²⁹⁰⁰ This statement highlighted the role of the G7 RRM as a protection for state sovereignty and the need for the RRM to protect these rights and freedoms.

On 11 September 2025, Prime Minister of the UK Keir Starmer in call with President Emmanuel Macron condemned Russia's violation of NATO airspace and reiterated their commitment to defending NATO from Russia's threats.²⁹⁰¹

On 23 September 2025, France, as a part of the G7, released a joint statement following the Meeting of the G7 Foreign Ministers on the Margins of the High-Level Week at the United Nations General Assembly in New York.²⁹⁰² In this statement, the ministers recognized the need for UN reform and committed to participating in those efforts.

On 29 September 2025, France called for the strengthening of multilateralism for more effective, fair and inclusive institutions, for the reform of the UNSC and supported the launch of the UN80 Reform Agenda at the 80th session of the UN General Assembly.²⁹⁰³

On 1 October 2025, the G7 Foreign Ministers and the High Representative of the European Union released a statement in support of the reimposition of UNSC sanctions and restrictions against Iran due to the government's failure to meet requirements under the Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action (JCPOA).²⁹⁰⁴ This demonstrates the ministers' commitment to bolstering the institutional effectiveness of the UN.

On 8 October 2025, members of the G7 and the Nordic-Baltic 8++ (Belgium, Canada, Denmark, Estonia, European Union, Finland, France, Germany, Iceland, Italy, Japan, Latvia, Lithuania, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Sweden and the United Kingdom) released a joint statement committing to enhance cooperation and advance efforts on disrupting and deterring global shadow fleet activity.²⁹⁰⁵ Members further reaffirmed their commitment to upholding international law such as the UN Convention on the Law of the Sea and acting in accordance with International Maritime Organization and International Labour Organization conventions and resolutions.

On 17 October 2025, the G7 Development Ministers convened on the peripheries of the annual World Bank Group and International Monetary Fund meetings in Washington D.C. to identify opportunities for further collaboration within the G7.²⁹⁰⁶ The Ministers also underscored the importance of reforms to multilateral

²⁹⁰⁰ G7 Rapid Response Mechanism (RRM) Statement on Hong Kong Arrest Warrants, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (Ottawa) 8 August 2025. Access Date: 16 August 2025. <https://www.dfat.gov.au/news/media-release/g7-rapid-response-mechanism-rrm-statement-hong-kong-arrest-warrants>

²⁹⁰¹ PM calls with President Macron of France and Chancellor Merz of Germany: 11 September 2025, Government of the United Kingdom (London) 11 September 2025. Access Date: 29 October 2025. <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/pm-calls-with-president-macron-of-france-and-chancellor-merz-of-germany-11-september-2025>

²⁹⁰² Joint G7 Foreign Ministers' Statement – Meeting of the G7 Foreign Ministers on the Margins of the High-Level Week at the United Nations General Assembly in New York, Global Affairs Canada (New York) 23 September 2025. Access Date: 10 October 2025. <https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2025/09/joint-g7-foreign-ministers-statement--meeting-of-the-g7-foreign-ministers-on-the-margins-of-the-high-level-week-at-the-united-nations-general-assem.html>

²⁹⁰³ 80th session of the United Nations General Assembly, Mission permanente de la France auprès des Nations unies à New York (New York) 29 September 2025. Access Date: 10 October 2025. <https://onu.delegfrance.org/80th-session-of-the-united-nations-general-assembly>

²⁹⁰⁴ G7 Foreign Ministers Statement on Iran Sanctions Snapback, Global Affairs Canada (Ottawa) 1 October 2025. Access Date: 28 October 2025. <https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2025/10/g7-foreign-ministers-statement-on-iran-sanctions-snapback.html>

²⁹⁰⁵ Joint statement: Shadow Fleet Task Force, Global Affairs Canada (Ottawa) 10 October 2025. Access Date: 28 October 2025. <https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2025/10/joint-statement-shadow-fleet-task-force.html>

²⁹⁰⁶ G7 Development Ministers' Chair's Summary – Fostering partnerships for economic prosperity, Global Affairs Canada (Ottawa) 21 October 2025. Access Date: 28 October 2025. <https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2025/10/g7-development-ministers-chairs-summary--fostering-partnerships-for-economic-prosperity.html>

institutions focus on institutional performance and outcomes such as “structural realignment, mandate streamlining, and enhanced efficiency.”

On 22 October 2025, Australia, Canada, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, Netherlands, New Zealand, South Korea, United Kingdom and United States as a part of the Multilateral Sanctions Monitoring Team issued their second joint statement on the unlawful military cooperation between North Korea and Russia, in violation of UNSC resolutions (UNSCRs).²⁹⁰⁷ The report underscores France’s commitment to the full implementation of UNSCRs. Further, the report calls on the UNSC to reimplement the Panel of Experts to maintain international security and hold the North Korea accountable in its violation and evasion of UN sanctions.

On 23 October 2025, the Ministers and high representatives of Armenia, Australia, Belgium, Canada, Chile, Colombia, Cyprus, Dominican Republic, Estonia, France, Germany, Iceland, Ireland, Kosovo, Latvia, Liberia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Mexico, Moldova, the Netherlands, North Macedonia, Norway, Portugal, Rwanda, Slovenia, Spain, Thailand, Ukraine, United Kingdom, Uruguay participated at the 4th Ministerial Conference on Feminist Foreign Policies.²⁹⁰⁸ The Joint Declaration demonstrates France’s commitment to upholding the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, UN principles and the UNSC Resolution 1325 (Women, Peace and Security agenda), advancing institutional reform of the UN and strengthening multilateral engagement.

On 4 November 2025, Australia, Canada, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, Netherlands, New Zealand, Republic of Korea, United Kingdom and United States issued a joint statement on the Democratic People Republic of Korea’s cyber and information technology activities that violate UNSCRs.²⁹⁰⁹ The report underscores France’s commitment to the full implementation of UNSCRs. Further, the report called on the UNSC to re-establish the Panel of Experts to bolster the institutional effectiveness of the UN.

France has partially complied with its commitment to work for a reinvigorated and strengthened multilateral system, rooted in the purposes and principles of the UN Charter and international law. France has taken moderate action in reforming a UN body through verbal affirmation and satisfying the criteria of representativeness and effectiveness. However, it has not taken strong action to reform an international organization and satisfied the criteria of transparency and accountability.

Thus, France receives a score of 0.

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Germany: 0

Germany has partially complied with its commitment to work for a reinvigorated and strengthened multilateral system, rooted in the purposes and principles of the United Nations Charter and international law, with renewed institutions and a reformed governance that is more representative, effective, transparent and accountable, reflecting the social, economic and political realities of the 21st century.

On 6 December 2024, North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) allies including Germany released a joint statement to the Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe (OSCE) on Russia’s invasion of Ukraine

²⁹⁰⁷ Joint Statement of the Multilateral Sanctions Monitoring Team (MSMT) on the Report Covering DPRK Cyber and IT Worker Activities, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (Canberra) 22 October 2025. Access Date: 28 October 2025.

<https://www.dfat.gov.au/news/media-release/joint-statement-multilateral-sanctions-monitoring-team-msmt-report-covering-dprk-cyber-and-it-worker-activities>

²⁹⁰⁸ Paris Joint Political Declaration on Achieving Gender Equality, Promoting Human Rights of All Women and Girls and Strengthening a Feminist Approach to Foreign Policy under the auspices of the 4th Ministerial Conference on Feminist Foreign Policies in Paris, October 22 and 23 2025, Global Affairs Canada (Ottawa) 28 October 2025. Access Date: 28 October 2025. <https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2025/10/paris-joint-political-declaration-on-achieving-gender-equality-promoting-human-rights-of-all-women-and-girls-and-strengthening-a-feminist-approach-.html>

²⁹⁰⁹ Multilateral Sanctions Monitoring Team (MSMT): Joint Statement on the Report Covering DPRK Cyber and IT Worker Activities, Federal Foreign Office (Brussels) 4 November 2025. Access Date: 7 November 2025. <https://www.auswaertiges-amt.de/en/newsroom/news/2741814-2741814>

where members reaffirmed their commitment to maintaining channels of communication to “to manage and mitigate risk, prevent escalation and build trust and confidence” and align with the principles of transparency at the OSCE Ministerial Council.²⁹¹⁰

On 29 January 2025, Germany joined the Working Group on the Joint Inspection Unit (JIU) Report on the Governance and Oversight of the Executive Boards of the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA), United Nations Office for Project Services (UNOPS), United Nations Children’s Fund (UNICEF) and UN-Women (JIU/REP/2023/7) tasked with reviewing the JIU’s recommendations and developing actionable implementation strategies on strengthening governance, oversight and risk management across participating Executive Boards.²⁹¹¹

On 29 January 2025, the Federal Foreign Office published an article, reaffirming the need to reform the UN Security Council (UNSC) to ensure it reflects the current geopolitical context.²⁹¹² The article also highlighted how Germany has been coordinating with the G4 to demand comprehensive reform, such as adding six new permanent and four or five non-permanent members and changing existing working methods more broadly.

On 16 February 2025, Development Minister Svenja Schulze launched an international initiative to support the United Nations Development System at the Munich Security Conference.²⁹¹³ The initiative aims to strengthen multilateralism broadly and support the development work at the UN in response to recent financial cuts and major donor withdrawals.

On 14 March 2025, G7 Foreign Ministers released the G7 Foreign Ministers’ Declaration on Maritime Security and Prosperity.²⁹¹⁴ The ministers reaffirmed the G7’s commitment to “a free, open, and secure maritime domain based on the rule of law that strengthens international security, fosters economic prosperity, and ensures the sustainable use of marine resources.” The ministers also reiterated their commitment to tackling the “Emerging Threat on Safe Seas and Freedom of Navigation and Overflight,” “Safe Shipping and Supply Chain Security,” “Sustainable Stewardship of Maritime Resources” and partnerships. This reflects their commitment to promoting dialogue between G7 members and stakeholders and bolstering the institutional effectiveness on matters related to maritime security and prosperity. They also released a joint statement that reaffirmed G7 support for “Ukraine’s long-term prosperity and security,” “Regional peace and stability in the Middle East,” “Cooperation to increase security and resilience across the Indo-Pacific,” “Building stability and resilience in Haiti and Venezuela,” “Supporting lasting peace in Sudan and the Democratic Republic of the Congo” and “Strengthening sanctions and countering hybrid warfare and sabotage.”²⁹¹⁵ The joint statement reflects the G7’s commitment to strengthening the institutional effectiveness of the G7.

On 8 April 2025, Germany hosted the Second Global Voluntary National Reviews (VNRs) workshop in partnership with the UN Department for Economic and Social Affairs (DESA) to facilitate dialogue between VNR countries and stakeholders, bolstering the institutional transparency and accountability of the UN

²⁹¹⁰ Thirty-First Meeting of the OSCE Ministerial Council, Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe (Malta) 6 December 2024. Access Date: 30 June 2025. <https://www.osce.org/files/f/documents/3/9/582397.pdf>

²⁹¹¹ Inspectors of the Joint Inspection Unit, Joint Inspection Unit of the United Nations System (Geneva) n.d. Access Date: 3 September 2025. [https://www.unjiu.org/content/inspectors-joint-inspection-unit; Terms of Reference \(TOR\) for the Joint Working Group, United Nations Development Programme \(New York\) n.d. Access Date: 3 September 2025. https://www.undp.org/sites/g/files/zskgke326/files/2024-12/jiu-draft_terms-of-reference-joint-working-group.pdf](https://www.unjiu.org/content/inspectors-joint-inspection-unit; Terms of Reference (TOR) for the Joint Working Group, United Nations Development Programme (New York) n.d. Access Date: 3 September 2025. https://www.undp.org/sites/g/files/zskgke326/files/2024-12/jiu-draft_terms-of-reference-joint-working-group.pdf)

²⁹¹² Why the United Nations Security Council needs to be reformed, Federal Foreign Office (Berlin) 29 January 2025. Access Date: 9 April 2025. <https://www.auswaertiges-amt.de/en/aussenpolitik/internationale-organisationen/vereintenationen/reformsr-231604>

²⁹¹³ Development Minister Schulze attends Munich Security Conference, launches initiative to support United Nations Development System, Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (Berlin) 16 February 2025. Access Date: 3 September 2025. <https://www.bmz.de/en/news/archive-press-releases/schulze-msc-initiative-support-for-un-development-system-247594>

²⁹¹⁴ G7 Foreign Ministers’ Declaration on Maritime Security and Prosperity, G7 Information Centre (Charlevoix) 14 March 2025. Access Date: 11 June 2025. <https://www.g7.utoronto.ca/foreign/250314-declaration.html>

²⁹¹⁵ Joint statement of the G7 Foreign Ministers’ Meeting in Charlevoix, G7 Information Centre (Charlevoix) 14 March 2025. Access Date: 11 June 2025. <https://www.g7.utoronto.ca/foreign/250314-statement.html>

system.²⁹¹⁶ The initiative features peer-to-peer learning and knowledge exchange to strengthen the evidence-based national reviews of Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) progress and transparent reporting processes through stakeholder engagement.

On 7 May 2025, Germany hosted the “Second Global Workshop” for voluntary national review (VNR) countries in Berlin.²⁹¹⁷ The workshop was an opportunity for representatives from different countries to discuss and learn from each other how to best progress towards Agenda 2030, showing Germany's commitment to bolster the institutional effectiveness of the UN.

On 12 May 2025, Germany hosted the UN Peacekeeping Ministerial in Berlin, which was a forum aimed to discuss reform of UN peacekeeping to enhance the long-term effectiveness of the UN peacekeeping missions and response against current complex geopolitical challenges and conflicts.²⁹¹⁸

On 14 May 2025, Foreign Minister Johann Wadephul attended an informal meeting of NATO Foreign Affairs hosted in Türkiye to discuss defence spending and strengthen defence and deterrence strategies.²⁹¹⁹ The initiative aims to foster collaboration between NATO Foreign Ministers and increase the institutional effectiveness of NATO.

On 27 May 2025, Deputy Permanent Representative of Germany Thomas Zahneisen endorsed a transparent and inclusive process for reviewing global peace operations under the UN’s “Pact for the Future” framework at the UN General Assembly.²⁹²⁰

On 29 May 2025, Australia, Canada, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, Netherlands, New Zealand, South Korea, the United Kingdom and the United States as a part of the Multilateral Sanctions Monitoring Team issued a joint statement on unlawful military cooperation between North Korea and Russia, in violation of UNSC resolutions.²⁹²¹ The multilateral mechanism aims to monitor and report on sanction measures implemented by the United Nations. This initiative underscores ongoing to advancing the UN’s institutional effectiveness.

On 2 June 2025, Minister for Economic Cooperation and Development Reem Alabali Radovan delivered a speech at the Hamburg Sustainability Conference 2025, where she supported the UN80 initiative calling for a more effective, transparent and inclusive UN.²⁹²²

²⁹¹⁶ Second Global VNR Workshop Facilitates Peer-to-Peer Learning, International Institute for Sustainable Development (Winnipeg) 7 May 2025. Access Date: 3 September 2025. <https://sdg.iisd.org/news/second-global-vnr-workshop-facilitates-peer-to-peer-learning/>

²⁹¹⁷ Second Global VNR Workshop Facilitates Peer-to-Peer Learning, International Institute for Sustainable Development (Geneva) 7 May 2025. Access Date: 24 August 2025. <https://sdg.iisd.org/news/second-global-vnr-workshop-facilitates-peer-to-peer-learning/>

²⁹¹⁸ More than just blue helmet missions – an important conference in Berlin on 13 and 14 May will discuss the future of UN peacekeeping, Federal Foreign Office (Berlin) 13 May 2025. Access Date: 19 May 2025. <https://www.auswaertiges-amt.de/en/aussenpolitik/internationale-organisationen/vereintenationen/un-peacekeeping-ministerial-2714890>

²⁹¹⁹ Transatlantic security now and in the future: Foreign Minister Wadephul is travelling to the informal meeting of NATO Ministers of Foreign Affairs in Antalya, Federal Foreign Office (Berlin) 14 May 2025. Access Date: 8 June 2025. <https://www.auswaertiges-amt.de/en/aussenpolitik/2718324-2718324>

²⁹²⁰ German Statement during the United Nations General Assembly Informal Briefing on the review on the future of all forms of United peace operations, 27 May 2025, Permanent Mission of the Federal Republic of Germany to the United Nations (New York) 27 May 2025. Access Date: 9 July 2025. <https://new-york-un.diplo.de/un-en/2720088-2720088>

²⁹²¹ Joint Statement of the Multilateral Sanctions Monitoring Team (MSMT) on the first report covering DPRK-Russia Military Cooperation, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (Canberra) 30 March 2025. Access Date: 6 June 2025. <https://www.dfat.gov.au/news/media-release/joint-statement-multilateral-sanctions-monitoring-team-msmt-first-report-covering-dprk-russia-military-cooperation>

²⁹²² Keynote speech by Federal Minister Reem Alabali Radovan at the Hamburg Sustainability Conference, Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (Hamburg) 2 June 2025. Access Date: 9 July 2025. <https://www.bmz.de/en/news/speeches-and-contributions/keynote-speech-hsc-254842>

On 17 June 2025, Germany released the 2025 Voluntary National Review, which specifically called on Germany to lead in taking efforts to advance measures for comprehensive reform of international financial institutions for greater representation of countries in the Global South.²⁹²³

On 19 June 2025, Germany chaired the 2025 Peacebuilding Commission, where Minister of State at the Federal Foreign Office Serap Güler called for structurally integrating peacebuilding and peacekeeping, increasing civil society participation and enhancing institutional coherence across the UN peace structure.²⁹²⁴

On 23 June 2025, Federal Minister of Foreign Affairs Johann Wadephul attended the NATO Summit in The Hague alongside the Federal Chancellor and the Defence Minister, to discuss the crises in the Middle East, Ukraine and sanctions.²⁹²⁵ Germany committed to continuing to uphold international law and provide support and cooperation where needed.

On 30 June 2025, the G7 Foreign Ministers, including Germany, released a statement endorsing the ceasefire between Israel and Iran and condemning Iran for their use of nuclear weapons under the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA).²⁹²⁶ This supports Germany's commitment to upholding the roles of international organizations and international law.

On 22 July 2025, Deputy Permanent Representative of Germany Thomas Zahneisen called for the strengthening of the UN Charter so that it may continue to promote international peace and security through multilateralism and the peaceful settlement of disputes at the UNSC Open Debate.²⁹²⁷

On 22 July 2025, members of the German government presented Germany's "Third VNR" at the UN.²⁹²⁸ Parliamentary State Secretary at the Federal Development Ministry Dr. Bärbel Kofler reiterated Germany's commitment to multilateralism and cooperation at the UN to meet the 2030 Agenda and create a sustainable future for the world.

On 8 August 2025, Germany, along with G7 members in the G7 Rapid Response Mechanism (RRM), released a statement following the Hong Kong Arrest Warrants.²⁹²⁹ This statement highlighted the role of the G7 RRM as a protection for state sovereignty and the need for the RRM to protect these rights and freedoms.

²⁹²³ Germany's Third Voluntary National Review (VNR) to the HLPF 2025, The Federal Government (Berlin) June 2025. Access Date: 24 August 2025. <https://www.vnr-germany.de/vnr-en/stakeholder>

²⁹²⁴ Peacebuilding Commission: Opening Remarks by the Chair of the Peacebuilding Commission during 2025 annual session, 19 June 2025, Permanent Mission of the Federal Republic of Germany to the United Nations (New York) 19 June 2025. Access Date: 9 July 2025. <https://new-york-un.diplo.de/un-en/2723278-2723278>

²⁹²⁵ A key week for Europe's security: EU Foreign Affairs Council meeting in Brussels and NATO Summit in The Hague, Federal Foreign Office (Brussels) 23 June 2025. Access Date: 23 August 2025. <https://www.auswaertiges-amt.de/en/aussenpolitik/europe/2723946-2723946>

²⁹²⁶ Joint Statement of the G7 Foreign Ministers on Iran and the Middle East, Global Affairs Canada (Ottawa) 30 June 2025. Access Date: 23 August 2025. <https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2025/06/joint-statement-of-the-g7-foreign-ministers-on-iran-and-the-middle-east.html>

²⁹²⁷ German state during the United Nations Security Council Open Debate on promoting international peace and security through multilateralism and peaceful settlement of disputes, 22 July 2025, Permanent Mission of the Federal Republic of Germany to the United Nations (New York) 22 July 2025. Access Date: 10 August 2025. <https://new-york-un.diplo.de/un-en/2727858-2727858>

²⁹²⁸ Germany calls for stronger international cooperation to implement the 2030 Agenda, Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (New York) 22 July 2025. Access Date: 24 August 2025. <https://www.bmz.de/en/news/press-releases/hlpf-in-new-york-258296>

²⁹²⁹ G7 Rapid Response Mechanism (RRM) Statement on Hong Kong Arrest Warrants, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (Ottawa) 8 August 2025. Access Date: 16 August 2025. <https://www.dfat.gov.au/news/media-release/g7-rapid-response-mechanism-rrm-statement-hong-kong-arrest-warrants>

On 22 September 2025, Foreign Minister Johann Wadephul reiterated Germany's commitment to the rules-based international order and bolstering the institutional effectiveness of the UN at the UN General Debate.²⁹³⁰ Minister Wadephul also stated that Germany will again apply for a non-permanent seat on the UNSC for the 2027/28 term to shoulder additional responsibility.

On 22 September 2025, Development Minister Reem Alabali Radovan participated in the UNGA and conference for a two-state solution where she reiterated Germany's commitment to facilitating the UN reform process.²⁹³¹ Minister Alabali Radovan highlighted Germany's support for the UN80 reform agenda through a series of development-related reforms initiated by the Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ).

On 23 September 2025, Germany, together with the other G7 countries' foreign ministers, issued a joint statement recognizing the fundamental need for UN reform and expressing willingness to participate in the process.²⁹³²

On 25 September 2025, Minister Wadephul issued a joint statement with Brazil, India and Japan on the prospects of the UNSC reform in the G4 countries meeting, including improving the representation of the underrepresented and unrepresented regions and groups and implementing the UN80 process.²⁹³³

On 28 September 2025, Germany called for UNSC reform via the increase of the number of permanent and non-permanent seats to underrepresented regions, such as Africa, Asia and Latin America and supported the implementation of the UN80 process, which echoes its previous joint statement with other G4 countries.²⁹³⁴

On 1 October 2025, the G7 Foreign Ministers and the High Representative of the European Union released a statement in support of the reimposition of UNSC sanctions and restrictions against Iran due to the government's failure to meet requirements under the Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action (JCPOA).²⁹³⁵ This demonstrates the ministers' commitment to bolstering the institutional effectiveness of the UN.

On 8 October 2025, members of the G7 and the Nordic-Baltic 8++ (Belgium, Canada, Denmark, Estonia, European Union, Finland, France, Germany, Iceland, Italy, Japan, Latvia, Lithuania, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Sweden and the United Kingdom) released a joint statement committing to enhance cooperation and advance efforts on disrupting and deterring global shadow fleet activity.²⁹³⁶ Members further reaffirmed their commitment to upholding international law such as the UN Convention on the Law of the Sea and acting in accordance with International Maritime Organization and International Labour Organization conventions and resolutions.

²⁹³⁰ For peace, justice and respect: Foreign Minister Wadephul at the UN General Debate in New York, Federal Foreign Office (Berlin) 22 September 2025. Access Date: 29 October 2025. <https://www.auswaertiges-amt.de/en/aussenpolitik/internationale-organisationen/vereintenationen/2735822-2735822>

²⁹³¹ Alabali Radovan attends UN General Assembly and conference for two-state solution in New York, Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (Berlin) 22 September 2025. Access Date: 29 October 2025. <https://www.bmz.de/en/news/press-releases/alabali-radovan-attends-un-general-assembly-press-release-269064>

²⁹³² Joint G7 Foreign Ministers' Statement on the Margins of the High-Level Week at the United Nations General Assembly in New York, Permanent Mission of the Federal Republic of Germany to the United Nations (New York) 24 September 2025. Access Date: 10 October 2025. <https://new-york-un.diplo.de/un-en/2737110-2737110>

²⁹³³ G4 Ministerial Joint Statement, 25 September 2025, Permanent Mission of the Federal Republic of Germany to the United Nations (New York) 26 September 2025. Access Date: 10 October 2025. <https://new-york-un.diplo.de/un-en/2736578-2736578>

²⁹³⁴ Speech by Foreign Minister Johann Wadephul at the 80th General Debate of the United Nations General Assembly New York, 27 September 2025, Permanent Mission of the Federal Republic of Germany to the United Nations (New York) 28 September 2025. Access Date: 10 October 2025. <https://new-york-un.diplo.de/un-en/2737114-2737114>

²⁹³⁵ G7 Foreign Ministers Statement on Iran Sanctions Snapback, Global Affairs Canada (Ottawa) 1 October 2025. Access Date: 28 October 2025. <https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2025/10/g7-foreign-ministers-statement-on-iran-sanctions-snapback.html>

²⁹³⁶ Joint statement: Shadow Fleet Task Force, Global Affairs Canada (Ottawa) 10 October 2025. Access Date: 28 October 2025. <https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2025/10/joint-statement-shadow-fleet-task-force.html>

On 17 October 2025, the G7 Development Ministers convened on the peripheries of the annual World Bank Group and International Monetary Fund meetings in Washington D.C. to identify opportunities for further collaboration within the G7.²⁹³⁷ The Ministers also underscored the importance of reforms to multilateral institutions focus on institutional performance and outcomes such as “structural realignment, mandate streamlining, and enhanced efficiency.”

On 22 October 2025, Australia, Canada, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, Netherlands, New Zealand, South Korea, United Kingdom and United States as a part of the Multilateral Sanctions Monitoring Team issued their second joint statement on the unlawful military cooperation between North Korea and Russia, in violation of UNSC resolutions (UNSCRs).²⁹³⁸ The report underscores Germany’s commitment to the full implementation of UNSCRs. Further, the report calls on the UNSC to reimplement the Panel of Experts to maintain international security and hold the North Korea accountable in its violation and evasion of UN sanctions.

On 23 October 2025, the Ministers and high representatives of Armenia, Australia, Belgium, Canada, Chile, Colombia, Cyprus, Dominican Republic, Estonia, France, Germany, Iceland, Ireland, Kosovo, Latvia, Liberia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Mexico, Moldova, the Netherlands, North Macedonia, Norway, Portugal, Rwanda, Slovenia, Spain, Thailand, Ukraine, United Kingdom, Uruguay participated at the 4th Ministerial Conference on Feminist Foreign Policies.²⁹³⁹ The Joint Declaration demonstrates Germany’s commitment to upholding the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, UN principles and the UNSC Resolution 1325 (Women, Peace and Security agenda), advancing institutional reform of the UN and strengthening multilateral engagement.

On 4 November 2025, Australia, Canada, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, Netherlands, New Zealand, Republic of Korea, United Kingdom and United States issued a joint statement on the Democratic People Republic of Korea’s cyber and information technology activities that violate UNSCRs.²⁹⁴⁰ The report underscores Germany’s commitment to the full implementation of UNSCRs. Further, the report called on the UNSC to re-establish the Panel of Experts to bolster the institutional effectiveness of the UN.

Germany has partially complied with its commitment to work for a reinvigorated and strengthened multilateral system, rooted in the purposes and principles of the UN Charter and international law. Germany has taken moderate action in reforming a UN body through verbal affirmations to bolster institutional representativeness and effectiveness. However, it has not taken strong action to reform an international organization or satisfied the criteria of institutional transparency and accountability.

Thus, Germany receives a score of 0.

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²⁹³⁷ G7 Development Ministers’ Chair’s Summary – Fostering partnerships for economic prosperity, Global Affairs Canada (Ottawa) 21 October 2025. Access Date: 28 October 2025. <https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2025/10/g7-development-ministers-chairs-summary--fostering-partnerships-for-economic-prosperity.html>

²⁹³⁸ Joint Statement of the Multilateral Sanctions Monitoring Team (MSMT) on the Report Covering DPRK Cyber and IT Worker Activities, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (Canberra) 22 October 2025. Access Date: 28 October 2025. <https://www.dfat.gov.au/news/media-release/joint-statement-multilateral-sanctions-monitoring-team-msmt-report-covering-dprk-cyber-and-it-worker-activities>

²⁹³⁹ Paris Joint Political Declaration on Achieving Gender Equality, Promoting Human Rights of All Women and Girls and Strengthening a Feminist Approach to Foreign Policy under the auspices of the 4th Ministerial Conference on Feminist Foreign Policies in Paris, October 22 and 23 2025, Global Affairs Canada (Ottawa) 28 October 2025. Access Date: 28 October 2025. <https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2025/10/paris-joint-political-declaration-on-achieving-gender-equality-promoting-human-rights-of-all-women-and-girls-and-strengthening-a-feminist-approach-.html>

²⁹⁴⁰ Multilateral Sanctions Monitoring Team (MSMT): Joint Statement on the Report Covering DPRK Cyber and IT Worker Activities, Federal Foreign Office (Brussels) 4 November 2025. Access Date: 7 November 2025. <https://www.auswaertiges-amt.de/en/newsroom/news/2741814-2741814>

India: 0

India has partially complied with its commitment to work for a reinvigorated and strengthened multilateral system, rooted in the purposes and principles of the United Nations Charter and international law, with renewed institutions and a reformed governance that is more representative, effective, transparent and accountable, reflecting the social, economic and political realities of the 21st century.

On 28 November 2024, Minister of External Affairs Subrahmanyam Jaishankar reaffirmed India's engagement in the ongoing Inter-Governmental Negotiations (IGN) towards United Nations Security Council (UNSC) reforms, as well as collaborating with other countries in the G-4 and L.69 Groups to expand representation of countries in the UNSC.²⁹⁴¹

On 20 December 2024, Minister of State Shri Kirti Vardhan Singh reinforced Minister of External Affairs Jaishankar's statement and reiterated that India's top priority was to gain permanent membership in the reformed and expanded UNSC.²⁹⁴²

On 23 December 2024, Minister of External Affairs Jaishankar called for UN reform amid persisting conflicts in his address during the 79th session of the UN General Assembly.²⁹⁴³

On 7 February 2025, External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar and Greek Minister of Foreign Affairs George Gerapetritis reaffirmed their commitment to the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea (UNCLOS).²⁹⁴⁴ This reflects India's commitment to strengthening the institutional effectiveness of the UN with respect to sovereignty, maritime security and territorial integrity.

On 19 February 2025, India's Permanent Ambassador to the United Nations Parvathaneni Harish condemned nations that opposed the expansion of UNSC permanent seats.²⁹⁴⁵ Ambassador Harish also outlined three fundamental principles essential to the success of UNSC reform: increase in membership of both permanent and non-permanent categories, as well as the commencement of text-based negotiations and linking ambitious timelines with concrete outcomes.

On 23 February 2025, the Ministry of External Affairs in partnership with the Ministry of Defence and the Centre for United Nations Peacekeeping held the first Conference for Women Peacekeepers, "Women in Peacekeeping – A Global South Perspective."²⁹⁴⁶ This initiative reflects India's commitment to fostering dialogue between relevant stakeholders and bolstering institutional representativeness in the defence and peacekeeping sector.

On 25 February 2025, the government of India in partnership with the United Nations Office for Disarmament Affairs (UNODA) organized the first India-UNODA Capacity Building Programme on the UNSC Resolution

²⁹⁴¹ Question NO. 38 India's Permanent Position in the UNSC, Ministry of External Affairs (New Delhi) 24 November 2024. Access Date: 30 March 2025. https://www.mea.gov.in/rajya-sabha.htm?dtl/38630/QUESTION_NO_38_INDIA_PERMANENT_POSITION_IN_UNSC

²⁹⁴² Question NO-4238 India's Leadership in Global Governance Reform, Ministry of External Affairs (New Delhi) 20 December 2024. Access Date: 30 March 2025. <https://www.mea.gov.in/lok-sabha.htm?dtl/38846/QUESTION+NO+4238+INDIAS+LEADERSHIP+IN+GLOBAL+GOVERNANCE+REFORM>

²⁹⁴³ UN 2024: India calls for change at UN as conflicts persist, The Hindu (New Delhi) 23 December 2024. Access Date: 31 March 2025. <https://www.thehindu.com/news/national/un-2024-india-calls-for-change-at-un-as-conflicts-persist/article69017874.ece>

²⁹⁴⁴ Visit of H.E. Mr. George Gerapetritis, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Hellenic Republic to India (February 5-7, 2025), Ministry of External Affairs (New Delhi) 8 February 2025. Access Date: 10 June 2025. https://www.mea.gov.in/press-releases.htm?dtl/39016/Visit_of_HE_Mr_George_Gerapetritis_Minister_of_Foreign_Affairs_of_the_Hellenic_Republic_to_India_February_5_7_2025

²⁹⁴⁵ 'Status quoists with narrow focus': India calls out nations opposing expansion of UNSC permanent seats, The New Indian Express (Chennai) 19 February 2025. Access Date: 31 March 2025. <https://www.newindianexpress.com/world/2025/Feb/19/status-quoists-with-narrow-focus-india-calls-out-nations-opposing-expansion-of-unscc-permanent-seats>

²⁹⁴⁶ Conference for Women Peacekeepers: "Women in Peacekeeping – A Global South Perspective" (February 23, 2025), Ministry of External Affairs (New Delhi) 23 February 2025. Access Date: 10 June 2025. <https://www.mea.gov.in/press-releases.htm?dtl/39097/conference+for+women+peacekeepers+women+in+peacekeeping++a+global+south+perspective+february+23+2025>

1540 and Strategic Trade Controls for countries in the Asia-Pacific.²⁹⁴⁷ The programme featured 24 government experts and speakers sharing best practices and implementation processes for UNSC Resolution 1540 and Strategic Trade Controls. This initiative reflects India's commitment to bolstering the institutional effectiveness of global non-proliferation efforts.

On 27 February 2025, Ambassador Harish called for UNSC reform during the IGN Plenary and outlined five actions the UNSC should take to improve institutional representation, effectiveness and transparency.²⁹⁴⁸ They include engagement with the wider membership of the UN through a discussion on the Report of the Security Council in the General Assembly, increasing transparency in the working of the subsidiary bodies of the council, implementing peacekeeping mandates that factor in the concerns of the troop and police contributing countries, removing obsolete and irrelevant items from the agenda of the UNSC and considering reform in its entirety rather than in isolation.

On 4 April 2025, Ambassador Harish reaffirmed India's active participation in multilateral processes that address the impact of artificial intelligence (AI) on international security during the UNSC Meeting on "Harnessing Safe, Inclusive, Trustworthy AI for Maintenance of International Peace and Security."²⁹⁴⁹ These include the Disarmament Commission, the Convention on Certain Conventional Weapons, Group of Governmental Experts on Lethal Autonomous Weapons Systems, UN General Assembly mandated Working Groups on Outer Space and on Information and Communication Technologies and under Biological Weapons Convention, Chemical Weapons Convention and non-proliferation export control regimes.

On 15 April 2025, Ambassador Harish delivered a statement on behalf of the G4 during the IGN Meeting on Size of the Future Council and cluster discussion on Regional Representation, calling for an increase of UNSC membership to 25 or 26 with 11 permanent and 14 or 15 non-permanent members, with particular consideration given to Small Island Developing States in the non-permanent category.²⁹⁵⁰

On 30 April 2025, Ambassador K.D. Dewal reiterated the importance of multilateral cooperation in the United Nations and other international institutions including BRICS, the Global Counter Terrorism Forum and Financial Action Task Force in countering terrorism at the 4th Meeting of the India-Egypt Working Group on Counter Terrorism.²⁹⁵¹ Both India and Egypt's delegations underscored their commitment to the adoption of the UN Comprehensive Convention on International Terrorism to bolster cooperation and capacity building efforts of institutions.

On 4 May 2025, Ministry of External Affairs Secretary Dammu Ravi stated that Angolan President Joao Lourenco shared India's urgent calls for UN reform, such as the expansion of UNSC membership to include voices from Africa and developing countries, particularly in the Global South.²⁹⁵²

²⁹⁴⁷ India-UNODA Capacity Building Programme on the UNSC Resolution 1540 and Strategic Trade Controls for Asia-Pacific Countries at NACIN Palasamudram (February 25-27, 2025), Ministry of External Affairs (New Delhi) 25 February 2025. Access Date: 9 June 2025. https://www.mea.gov.in/press-releases.htm?dtl/39101/IndiaUNODA_Capacity_Building_Programme_on_the_UNSC_Resolution_1540_and_Strategic_Trade_Controls_for_AsiaPacific_Countries_at_NACIN_Palasamudram_February

²⁹⁴⁸ IGN Plenary – Cluster Debate on Working Methods, Permanent Mission of India to the UN (New Delhi) 27 February 2025. Access Date: 8 May 2025. <https://pminewyork.gov.in/IndiaatUNGA?id=NTMyNA>

²⁹⁴⁹ UNSC Meeting under Arria Formula on "Harnessing Safe, Inclusive, Trustworthy AI for Maintenance of International Peace and Security," Permanent Mission of India to the UN (New Delhi) 4 April 2025. Access Date: 8 May 2025. <https://pminewyork.gov.in/IndiaatUNGA?id=NTMyNA>

²⁹⁵⁰ India calls out attempts to introduce new parameters such as religion, faith as basis for representation in reformed UNSC, The Hindu (Chennai) 16 April 2025. Access Date: 19 May 2025. <https://www.thehindu.com/news/national/india-calls-out-attempts-to-introduce-new-parameters-such-as-religion-faith-as-basis-for-representation-in-reformed-unscc/article69455469.ece>

²⁹⁵¹ 4th Meeting of India-Egypt Joint Working Group on Counter Terrorism (April 30, 2025), Ministry of External Affairs (New Delhi) 30 April 2025. Access Date: 9 June 2025. https://www.mea.gov.in/press-releases.htm?dtl/39453/4th_Meeting_of_IndiaEgypt_Joint_Working_Group_on_Counter_Terrorism_April_30_2025

²⁹⁵² India, Angola share collective interest in UN reform: MEA Secy Dammu Ravi, ANI (New Delhi) 4 May 2025. Access Date: 19 May 2025. <https://www.aninews.in/news/world/asia/india-angola-share-collective-interest-in-un-reform-mea-secy-dammu-ravi20250504092605/>

On 28 May 2025, the Ministry of External Affairs released their address at the Africa Day Celebrations, where the government pledged their support to reforming the UNSC and increasing representation of African countries in global governance institutions.²⁹⁵³

On 16 June 2025, Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi met with the President of the Republic of Cyprus, H.E. Mr. Nikos Christodoulides, where both leaders reasserted their dedication to multilateralism and reforming global governance institutions, including the UNSC, to be more representative through the Intergovernmental Negotiations on UNSC reform.²⁹⁵⁴

On 18 June 2025, Prime Minister Modi spoke with the Prime Minister of the Republic of Croatia, H.E. Mr. Andrej Plenkovic, in Zagreb about the importance of reforming the UN and other global institutions.²⁹⁵⁵

On 30 June 2025, Minister of External Affairs Jaishankar spoke about India's commitment to collaborating with the G4 members to reform the UNSC in a Special Briefing before Prime Minister Modi visited Ghana, Trinidad & Tobago, Argentina, Brazil and Namibia.²⁹⁵⁶

On 6 July 2025, Secretary Ravi gave a briefing about Prime Minister Modi's participation in the 17th BRICS Summit, where he emphasized the need for comprehensive reform of the UNSC, IMF, World Bank and the WTO, to ensure it remains effective and inclusive against contemporary challenges.²⁹⁵⁷ Prime Minister Modi also reiterated India's commitment to reform the UNSC.

On 24 July 2025, Prime Minister Modi and UK Prime Minister Keir Starmer reiterated their support towards the international order, emphasizing the importance of multilateralism to endorse reform of the UN system.²⁹⁵⁸ They stated the importance of supporting institutions such as the UNSC, the WTO, World Health Organization (WHO), International Monetary Fund (IMF) and the World Bank to advance their effectiveness in the contemporary geopolitical landscape.

On 31 August 2025, Prime Minister Modi traveled to the People's Republic of China to meet President Xi Jinping on the sidelines of the annual summit of the Shanghai Cooperation Organization.²⁹⁵⁹ The leaders affirmed a bilateral partnership between the countries and a mutual advocacy for multilateralism and growing international space for developing countries.

²⁹⁵³ EAM's address at the Africa Day Celebrations (May 28, 2025), Ministry of External Affairs Government of India (New Delhi) 28 May 2025. Access Date: 14 July 2025. <https://www.mea.gov.in/Speeches-Statements.htm?dtl/39573/eams+address+at+the+africa+day+celebrations+may+28+2025>

²⁹⁵⁴ Joint declaration on the implementation of the comprehensive partnership between the Republic of Cyprus and the Republic of India (June 16, 2025), Ministry of External Affairs Government of India (New Delhi) 16 June 2025. Access Date: 14 July 2025. <https://www.mea.gov.in/bilateral-documents.htm?dtl/39681/joint+declaration+on+the+implementation+of+the+comprehensive+partnership+between+the+republic+of+cyprus+and+the+republic+of+india+june+16+2025>

²⁹⁵⁵ Prime Minister meets Prime Minister of the Republic of Croatia (June 18, 2025), Ministry of External Affairs Government of India (New Delhi) 18 June 2025. Access Date: 14 July 2025. <https://www.mea.gov.in/press-releases.htm?dtl/39694/prime+minister+meets+prime+minister+of+the+republic+of+croatia+june+18+2025>

²⁹⁵⁶ Transcript of Special Briefing by MEA on PM's visit to Ghana, Trinidad & Tobago, Argentina, Brazil, and Namibia, Ministry of External Affairs Government of India (New Delhi) 30 June 2025. Access Date: 14 July 2025. <https://www.mea.gov.in/media-briefings.htm?dtl/39725/transcript+of+special+briefing+by+mea+on+pms+visit+to+ghana+trinidad++tobago+argentina+brazil+and+namibia>

²⁹⁵⁷ Transcript of Special Briefing by MEA on Prime Minister's participation in 17th BRICS Summit (July 06, 2025), Ministry of External Affairs Government of India (New Delhi) 6 July 2025. Access Date: 24 August 2025. https://www.mea.gov.in/media-briefings.htm?dtl/39772/Transcript_of_Special_Briefing_by_MEA_on_Prime_Ministers_participation_in_17th_BRICS_Summit_July_06_2025

²⁹⁵⁸ INDIA-UK VISION 2035, Ministry of External Affairs Government of India (New Delhi) 24 July 2025. Access Date: 24 August 2025. <https://www.mea.gov.in/bilateral-documents.htm?dtl/39846/indiauk+vision+2035>

²⁹⁵⁹ The Indian Prime Minister's 2025 Visit to China and India-China Relation's, Congressional Research Service (Beijing) 4 September 2025. Access Date: 9 October 2025. <https://www.everycrsreport.com/reports/IN12604.html>

On 7 September 2025, Indian Commerce and Industry Minister, Additional Secretary Amitabh Kumar reaffirmed India's commitment to an open, fair and inclusive multilateral system with the WTO at the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation Trade Ministers' Meeting, stressing the scope to leverage the SCO's collective strengths for shared prosperity and the importance of coordinated action.²⁹⁶⁰

On 8 September 2025, Indian External Affairs Minister Jaishankar called for an exchange of views on reforming multilateralism in anticipation of UNGA80 and its overarching importance during a virtual Summit of BRICS Leaders.²⁹⁶¹

On 26 September 2025, External Affairs Minister Jaishankar met G4 counterparts to review the stalled Inter-Governmental Negotiation process for UNSC reform which culminated in a revised Elements Paper.²⁹⁶²

On 26 September 2025, External Affairs Minister Jaishankar met with Italian Foreign Minister Antonio Tajani to discuss the Mediterranean, the Middle East, Ukraine and the Indo-Pacific on the sidelines of the 80th UN General Assembly (UNGA80) and announced an upcoming visit of Minister Tajani to India to strengthen a strategic, political and economic partnership.²⁹⁶³

On 25 September 2025, India issued a joint statement with Germany, Brazil and Japan on the prospects of the UNSC reform in the G4 countries meeting, including improving the representation of the underrepresented and unrepresented regions and groups and implementing the UN80 process.²⁹⁶⁴

On 27 September 2025, External Affairs Minister Jaishankar emphasised the importance of international cooperation and reformed multilateralism as the obvious way to make the world a better place during the 80th session of the UN General Assembly.²⁹⁶⁵

On 14 October 2025, the Ministry of Defence and the Indian Army hosted the United Nations Troop Contributing Countries' (UNTCC) Chiefs Conclave.²⁹⁶⁶ Delegates engaged in deliberations on the path forward for "stronger, inclusive and sustainable UN peacekeeping operations," bolstering the institutional effectiveness of the UN.

On 26 October 2025, Prime Minister Modi participated in the 22nd ASEAN-India Summit.²⁹⁶⁷ Prime Minister Modi reiterated India's long-standing support for "ASEAN Unity, ASEAN Centrality, and the ASEAN Outlook on the Indo-Pacific."

²⁹⁶⁰ India Reaffirms Its Commitment To An Open And Inclusive WTO-Led Trading System, News On Air (Vladivostok) 7 September 2025. Access Date: 9 October 2025. <https://www.newsonair.gov.in/india-reaffirms-its-commitment-to-an-open-and-inclusive-wto-led-trading-system/>

²⁹⁶¹ EAM's remarks during virtual Summit of BRICS Leaders, Ministry of External Affairs Government of India (New Delhi) 8 September 2025. Access Date: 9 October 2025. https://www.mea.gov.in/Speeches-Statements.htm?dtl/40106/EAMs_remarks_during_virtual_Summit_of_BRICS_Leaders_September_08_2025

²⁹⁶² G4 Ministers push for UNSC reforms, assess state of negotiations, New Kerala (New York) 26 September 2025. Access Date: 9 October 2025. <https://www.newkerala.com/news/o/g4-ministers-push-uncs-reforms-assess-state-negotiations-461>

²⁹⁶³ From the UN to Space: How the India – Italy partnership is moving forward, Decode39 (New York) 26 September 2025. Access Date: 9 October 2025. <https://decode39.com/11939/from-the-un-to-space-how-the-india-italy-partnership-is-moving-forward/>

²⁹⁶⁴ G4 Ministerial Joint Statement, 25 September 2025, Permanent Mission of the Federal Republic of Germany to the United Nations (New York) 26 September 2025. Access Date: 10 October 2025. <https://new-york-un.diplo.de/un-en/2736578-2736578>

²⁹⁶⁵ EAM's statement at the General Debate of the 80th session of the UNGA, Ministry of External Affairs Government of India (New York) 27 September 2025. Access Date: 9 October 2025. <https://www.mea.gov.in/Speeches-Statements.htm?dtl/40170/EAMs+statement+at+the+General+Debate+of+the+80th+session+of+the+UNGA+September+27+2025>

²⁹⁶⁶ UNTCC Chiefs Conclave showcases India's technological prowess and cultural heritage in advancing global peacekeeping, the Tribune (New Delhi) 16 October 2025. Access Date: 28 October 2025. <https://www.tribuneindia.com/news/world/untcc-chiefs-conclave-showcases-indias-technological-prowess-and-cultural-heritage-in-advancing-global-peacekeeping>

²⁹⁶⁷ Prime Minister's participation in the 22nd ASEAN-India Summit in Kuala Lumpur, Ministry of External Affairs Government of India (New Delhi) 26 October 2025. Access Date: 29 October 2025. https://www.mea.gov.in/press-releases.htm?dtl/40231/Prime_Ministers_participation_in_the_22nd_ASEANIndia_Summit_in_Kuala_Lumpur

India has partially complied with its commitment to work for a reinvigorated and strengthened multilateral system, rooted in the purposes and principles of the UN Charter and international law. India has taken moderate action in reforming global institutions such as the UNSC through verbal affirmations under the two key criteria of being representative and effective. However, it has not taken strong action to reform institutional transparency and accountability.

Thus, India receives a score of 0.

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Indonesia: 0

Indonesia has partially complied with its commitment to work for a reinvigorated and strengthened multilateral system, rooted in the purposes and principles of the United Nations Charter and international law, with renewed institutions and a reformed governance that is more representative, effective, transparent and accountable, reflecting the social, economic and political realities of the 21st century.

On 19 December 2024, Indonesia voted in favour of a resolution on the “Request for an advisory opinion of the internal Court of Justice on the obligations of Israel in relation to the presence and activities of the United Nations, other international organizations and third States.”²⁹⁶⁸ This demonstrates Indonesia’s commitment to bolstering the institutional effectiveness of the UN.

On 21 February 2025, Deputy Foreign Minister Arrmanatha Nasir, during the G20 Foreign Ministers’ Meeting in Johannesburg, South Africa, highlighted critical issues in current global governance, emphasizing the erosion of multilateralism and calling upon G20 members to support concrete actions toward institutional reform.²⁹⁶⁹ Minister Nasir advocated for the G20’s increased active role in promoting comprehensive reforms within global institutions, endorsing the UN Future Pact as a practical step forward.

On 23 February 2025, Deputy Minister Nasir reinforced Indonesia’s position in a separate address, calling for reforms focused on inclusiveness, equality, solidarity and strengthened partnerships between the G20, the United Nations and other international organizations.²⁹⁷⁰ This reinforced Indonesia’s stance in urging comprehensive and equitable institutional reform to ensure global governance institutions remain effective and legitimate.

On 21 April 2025, Deputy Minister Nasir addressed the 81st session of the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP) in Bangkok, Thailand.²⁹⁷¹ He emphasized the need for a renewed and reformed global governance architecture that empowers the Global South and its 21st-century dynamic. He reaffirmed Indonesia’s support for multilateralism rooted in the principles of the UN Charter and international law, calling attention to the continued imbalance in access to global decision-making spaces and financial systems.

²⁹⁶⁸ Request for an advisory opinion of the International Court of Justice on the obligations of Israel in relation to the presence and activities of the United Nations, other international organizations and third States – GA draft Resolution (A/79/L.28/Rev.1) – Revised (Adopted on 19 Dec 2024), United Nations General Assembly (New York) 12 December 2024. Access Date: 30 June 2025. <https://www.un.org/unispal/document/request-for-an-advisory-opinion-icj-12dec24/>

²⁹⁶⁹ Indonesia urges G20 to strengthen global governance reform, ANTARA News (Jakarta) 21 February 2025. Access Date: 9 April 2025. <https://en.antaranews.com/news/345905/indonesia-urges-g20-to-strengthen-global-governance-reform>

²⁹⁷⁰ Indonesia calls for multilateral reform at G20 foreign ministers’ meeting, The Jakarta Post (Jakarta) 23 February 2025. Access Date: 9 April 2025. <https://www.thejakartapost.com/world/2025/02/23/indonesia-calls-for-multilateral-reform-atg20-foreign-ministers-meeting.html>

²⁹⁷¹ Remarks by H.E. Arrmanatha C. Nasir, Vice Minister for Foreign Affairs of Indonesia at the 81st ESCAP Session, United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (Bangkok) 21 April 2025. Access Date: 10 May 2025. <https://www.kemlu.go.id/publikasi/pidato/pidato-lainnya/remarks-by-he-arrmanatha-c-nasir-vice-minister-for-foreign-affairs-of-indonesia-at-the-81st-escap-session-agenda-2-policy-issues-for-inclusive-and-sustainable-development-in-asia-pacific-bangkok-21-april-2025?type=publication>

On 21 April 2025, Foreign Minister Sugiono reaffirmed Indonesia's commitment to closely cooperating with international organizations such as BRICS, the G20 and the United Nations to enhance global collaboration and multilateralism at the 1st Joint Foreign and Defence Ministerial Dialogue with Chinese Foreign Minister Wang Yi and Chinese Defence Minister Dong Jun.²⁹⁷²

On 25 April 2025, Finance Minister Sri Mulyani Indrawati participated in bilateral discussions with US Treasury Secretary Scott Bessent during the Spring Meetings of the International Monetary Fund and World Bank in Washington D.C.²⁹⁷³ The meeting focused on the future of multilateral trade and financial institutions, with particular attention to proposed reforms at the World Trade Organization. Minister Indrawati advocated for reforms that prioritize developmental equity, capacity-building and inclusive representation.

On 2 May 2025, Minister Sugiono reaffirmed Indonesia's commitment to enhance collaboration in the Association of Southeast Asian Nations on regional and global issues including Myanmar, human trafficking and energy security at a joint press conference of the 10th Joint Commission Meeting Indonesia-Thailand.²⁹⁷⁴

On 22 June 2025, Minister Sugiono requested that the Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) to strengthen its support towards efforts in reforming multilateral institutions and creating a more inclusive and fair international order.²⁹⁷⁵

On 6 July 2025, President Prabowo Subianto attended the plenary meetings of the BRICS 2025 Summit and discussed with the member and partner country leaders about global governance reform.²⁹⁷⁶

On 6 July 2025, Deputy Minister Nasir relayed the inevitability of global institutional reform and President Prabowo's urge for reform in the UN to better represent the Global South at the 17th BRICS Summit in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.²⁹⁷⁷

On 6 July 2025, Indonesia, as a member of BRICS, adopted the Rio Declaration to reaffirm its commitment towards multilateralism and global governance under Brazil's leadership.²⁹⁷⁸ This declaration called for the increased representation of developing countries as well as the reformation of the UNSC to improve inclusivity, equality and transparency.

On 9 July 2025, President Subianto met with Brazilian President Luiz Inácio Lula da Silva, supporting Brazil's efforts to reform the UN and advocating for increased representation of developing nations in the global

²⁹⁷² Transcript of the Indonesian Foreign Minister Y.M. Sugiono at the Joint Press Statement in the 1st Joint Foreign and Defence Ministerial Dialogue (2+2) Between the Republic of Indonesia and the People's Republic of China, Beijing, April 21, 2025, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Indonesia (Jakarta) 21 April 2025. Access Date: 10 June 2025.

<https://www.kemlu.go.id/publikasi/siaran-pers/transkrip-menteri-luar-negeri-indonesia-ym-sugiono-pada-pernyataan-pers-bersama-dalam-the-1st-joint-foreign-and-defence-ministerial-dialogue-22-between-the-republic-of-indonesia-and-the-peoples-republic-of-china-beijing-21-april-2025?type=publication>

²⁹⁷³ Indonesia engages U.S. on multilateralism, WTO reform at G20 and IMF Spring Meetings, Indonesia Business Post (Washington D.C.) 25 April 2025. Access Date: 10 May 2025. <https://indonesiabusinesspost.com/4182/capitol-influence-and-lobbying/ri-engages-u-s-on-multilateralism-wto-reform-at-g20-and-imf-spring-meetings>

²⁹⁷⁴ Joint Press Conference of the 10th Joint Commission Meeting Indonesia-Thailand Bangkok, 2 May 2025, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Indonesia (Jakarta) 2 May 2025. Access Date: 10 June 2025. <https://www.kemlu.go.id/publikasi/siaran-pers/joint-press-conference-of-the-10th-joint-commission-meeting-indonesia-thailand-bangkok-2-may-2025?type=publication>

²⁹⁷⁵ Indonesia calls on OIC to strengthen diplomatic, economic cooperation, ANTARA News (Jakarta) 22 June 2025. Access Date: 14 July 2025. <https://en.antaranews.com/news/361077/indonesia-calls-on-oic-to-strengthen-diplomatic-economic-cooperation>

²⁹⁷⁶ Prabowo attends BRICS Summit plenary, ANTARA News (Rio de Janeiro) 6 July 2025. Access Date: 14 July 2025. <https://en.antaranews.com/news/364525/prabowo-attends-brics-summit-plenary>

²⁹⁷⁷ Multilateral reforms inevitable: Prabowo at BRICS Summit, ANTARA News (Jakarta) 7 July 2025. Access Date: 14 July 2025. <https://en.antaranews.com/news/364677/multilateral-reforms-inevitable-prabowo-at-brics-summit>

²⁹⁷⁸ Rio Declaration: BRICS Calls for Global Reforms for a Fairer World, TEMPO (Jakarta) 6 July 2025. Access Date: 6 July 2025. <https://en.tempo.co/read/2025297/rio-declaration-brics-calls-for-global-reforms-for-a-fairer-world>

system.²⁹⁷⁹ President Prabowo emphasized the importance of relations between Indonesia and Brazil with other countries such as South Africa, Germany and Mexico, to ensure UN reforms are implemented for the future of global governance.

On 9 July 2025, Indonesia released a joint press release during the 6th Interface Meeting between the ASEAN Intergovernmental Commission on Human Rights (AICHR) and Civil Society Organizations (CSOs) about working together on human rights issues within the region.²⁹⁸⁰

On 18 July 2025, Minister Sugiono paid his first visit to the ASEAN Headquarters and met with Secretary-General Kao Kim Hourn, showing Indonesia's ongoing commitment to supporting ASEAN and advancing its role in global governance.²⁹⁸¹

On 20 July 2025, Minister Sri Mulyani Indrawati spoke about the necessity of reforming international finance institutions to be more inclusive and effective during the G20 Finance Ministers and Central Bank Governors (FMCBG) Meeting.²⁹⁸²

On 28 July 2025, Indonesia and Italy co-chaired the working group, "Security for Israelis and Palestinians," during the UN "High-level International Conference for the Peaceful Settlement of the Question of Palestine and the Implementation of the Two-State Solution."²⁹⁸³ The high-level plenary meeting and working groups facilitated discussions and consensus-building on concrete steps for international engagement and humanitarian action. This demonstrates Indonesia's commitment to bolstering the institutional effectiveness of the UN.

On 6 August 2025, Chief of the Indonesian Maritime Security Agency Vice Adiral Irvansyah met with the ASEAN Secretary-General Kao Kim Hourn to discuss increasing maritime cooperation within the region.²⁹⁸⁴

On 13 August 2025, the Presidential Communications Office (PCO) reiterated Indonesia's prioritization of ASEAN for regional diplomacy and cooperation, showing Indonesia's commitment towards strengthening the multilateral system.²⁹⁸⁵

On 26 September 2025, Minister Sugiono restated the necessity of reforming multilateral organizations and systems at the G20 Foreign Ministers' Meeting held on the sidelines of the 80th Session of the UNGA.²⁹⁸⁶

²⁹⁷⁹ Prabowo: Indonesia joins Brazil in advocating UN reform for equality, ANTARA News (Jakarta) 10 July 2025. Access Date: 14 July 2025. <https://en.antaranews.com/news/365261/prabowo-indonesia-joins-brazil-in-advocating-un-reform-for-equality>

²⁹⁸⁰ Joint Press Release of the 6th Interface Meeting between the ASEAN Intergovernmental Commission on Human Rights (AICHR) and Civil Society Organisations (CSOs) with a Consultative Relationship with AICHR, Association of Southeast Asian Nations (Jakarta) 9 July 2025. Access Date: 24 August 2025. <https://asean.org/joint-press-release-of-the-6th-interface-meeting-between-the-asean-intergovernmental-commission-on-human-rights-aichr-and-civil-society-organisations-csos-with-a-consultative-relationship-with-aic/>

²⁹⁸¹ Foreign Minister of Indonesia Pays Maiden Official Visit to the ASEAN Headquarters/ASEAN Secretariat, Association of Southeast Asian Nations (Jakarta) 18 July 2025. Access Date: 24 August 2025. <https://asean.org/foreign-minister-of-indonesia-pays-maiden-official-visit-to-the-asean-headquarters-asean-secretariat/>

²⁹⁸² Sri Mulyani urges inclusive global finance reform at G20, ANTARA News (Jakarta) 20 July 2025. Access Date: 23 August 2025. <https://en.antaranews.com/news/367601/sri-mulyani-urges-inclusive-global-finance-reform-at-g20>

²⁹⁸³ High-level International Conference for the Peaceful Settlement of the Question of Palestine and the Implementation of the Two-State Solution, United Nations (New York) n.d. Access Date: 25 September 2025. <https://www.un.org/unispal/high-level-conference-two-state-solution-july2025/>

²⁹⁸⁴ Secretary-General of ASEAN Meets with Chief of the Indonesian Maritime Security Agency, Association of Southeast Asian Nations (Jakarta) 6 July 2025. Access Date: 23 August 2025. <https://asean.org/secretary-general-of-asean-meets-with-chief-of-the-indonesian-maritime-security-agency/>

²⁹⁸⁵ ASEAN remains Indonesia's diplomatic priority amid global shifts, ANTARA News (Jakarta) 14 August 2025. Access Date: 23 August 2025. <https://en.antaranews.com/news/373345/asean-remains-indonesias-diplomatic-priority-amid-global-shifts>

²⁹⁸⁶ Sugiono at the UN appeals for peace as foundation to global challenges, Antara News (Jakarta) 26 September 2025. Access Date: 20 October 2025. <https://en.antaranews.com/news/382585/sugiono-at-the-un-appeals-for-peace-as-foundation-to-global-challenges>

On 7 October 2025, Director General of Legal Administrative Affairs Widodo reiterated Indonesia's commitment to strengthening legal cooperation among ASEAN member states to combat transnational crimes.²⁹⁸⁷ He called on ASEAN to finalize the draft of the process and procedures to enhance regional legal cooperation. This demonstrates Indonesia's commitment to bolstering the institutional effectiveness of ASEAN.

On 9 October 2025, Indonesian Trade Minister Budi Santoso stated that there needs to be an inclusive and cooperation reform for the WTO, at the informal Working Dinner in Gqeberha, South Africa.²⁹⁸⁸ He stated that reform must go beyond restructuring and include updates to global trade rules, and negotiation mechanisms.

On 10 October 2025, Minister Santoso reiterated Indonesia's commitment towards reforming the WTO to ensure it supports rather than undermines the founding principles of multilateralism.²⁹⁸⁹

On 24 October 2025, UN Resident Coordinator in Indonesia Gita Sabharwal delivered a speech reiterating Indonesia's commitment to UN Peacekeeping operations and the UN80 reform initiative in celebration of UN Day 2025.²⁹⁹⁰

On 26 October 2025, Prime Minister Prabowo underscored the importance of ASEAN-United States partnerships to secure the economic success and growth of the Indo-Pacific region.²⁹⁹¹

On 27 October 2025, Minister Santoso highlighted Indonesia's promotion of ASEAN unity and regional integration during the 47th ASEAN Summit.²⁹⁹² He called on ASEAN to increase "intra-regional trade, boost investment, and ensure the benefits of economic integration" are equally distributed.

On 28 October 2025, Foreign Minister Sugiono delivered a speech at the ASEAN Foreign Ministers' Meeting held on the sidelines of the 47th ASEAN Summit where he reaffirmed Indonesia's commitment to facilitating collaboration between ASEAN and the UN.²⁹⁹³ He stressed the importance of relevant UN partners such as the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) and the UN World Food Programme (WFP) in advancing ASEAN's food security agency. Minister Sugiono also highlighted Indonesia's commitment to working with UN to build resilient food systems and welcomed a stronger UN presence in Indonesia.

On 1 November 2025, APEC Leaders from Australia, Brunei, Canada, Chile, China, Hong Kong, Indonesia, Japan, South Korea, Malaysia, Mexico, New Zealand, Papua New Guinea, Peru, Philippines, Russia, Singapore,

²⁹⁸⁷ The 4th ASEAN SOM-MLAT Meeting: Strengthening The Indonesia Government's Commitment to Regional Legal Cooperation in Combating Transnational Crimes, Central Authority of Republic of Indonesia (Jakarta) 8 October 2025. Access Date: 29 October 2025. <https://centralauthority.kemenum.go.id/en/news-index/the-4th-asean-som-mlat-meeting-strengthening-the-indonesia-governments>

²⁹⁸⁸ Indonesia calls for inclusive WTO reform amid global uncertainty, Antara News (Jakarta) 10 October 2025. Access Date: 20 October 2025. <https://en.antaranews.com/news/385341/indonesia-calls-for-inclusive-wto-reform-amid-global-uncertainty>

²⁹⁸⁹ Indonesia urges strong political will for WTO reform, Antara News (Jakarta) 13 October 2025. Access Date: 20 October 2025. <https://en.antaranews.com/news/385805/indonesia-urges-strong-political-will-for-wto-reform>

²⁹⁹⁰ Happy 80th UN Day 2025 - Resident Coordinator's Speech, Gita Sabharwal, United Nations Indonesia (Jakarta) 24 October 2025. Access Date: 29 October 2025. <https://indonesia.un.org/en/304012-happy-80th-un-day-2025-resident-coordinators-speech-gita-sabharwal>

²⁹⁹¹ Prabowo underscores ASEAN-US partnership for peaceful Indo-Pacific, Antara News (Jakarta) 26 October 2025. Access Date: 29 October 2025. https://en.antaranews.com/news/388093/prabowo-underscores-asean-us-partnership-for-peaceful-indo-pacific?utm_source=antaranews&utm_medium=desktop&utm_campaign=popular_right

²⁹⁹² Indonesia promotes ASEAN unity, regional integration at summit, Antara News (Jakarta) 27 October 2025. Access Date: 29 October 2025. <https://en.antaranews.com/news/388161/indonesia-promotes-asean-unity-regional-integration-at-summit>

²⁹⁹³ Indonesia urges stronger ASEAN-UN alliance for global stability, Antara News (Jakarta) 28 October 2025. Access Date: 29 October 2025. <https://en.antaranews.com/news/388425/indonesia-urges-stronger-asean-un-alliance-for-global-stability>

Taiwan, Thailand, the United States and Vietnam released the APEC Leaders' Declaration 2025.²⁹⁹⁴ Leaders reiterated their commitment to advancing structural reforms that strengthen innovation, productivity and economic vitality.

Indonesia has partially complied with its commitment to work for a reinvigorated and strengthened multilateral system, rooted in the purposes and principles of the UN Charter and international law. Indonesia has taken moderate action in reforming global institutions by verbally affirming reform for the two key criteria of representation and effectiveness. However, it has not taken strong action such as directly contributing to reform meetings or amending organizational processes to bolster institutional accountability.

Thus, Indonesia receives a score of 0.

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Italy: 0

Italy has partially complied with its commitment to work for a reinvigorated and strengthened multilateral system, rooted in the purposes and principles of the United Nations Charter and international law, with renewed institutions and a reformed governance that is more representative, effective, transparent and accountable, reflecting the social, economic and political realities of the 21st century.

On 5 December 2024, Undersecretary of State to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation Giorgio Silli attended the 31st Ministerial Council of the Organisation for Security and Co-operation in Europe (OSCE) where he reaffirmed Italy's commitment to "safeguarding the OSCE," the organization's values and principles, as well as initiatives in maintaining Europe's security order.²⁹⁹⁵

On 6 December 2024, North Atlantic Treaty Organization allies including Italy released a joint statement to the Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe (OSCE) on Russia's invasion of Ukraine where members reaffirmed their commitment to maintaining channels of communication to "to manage and mitigate risk, prevent escalation and build trust and confidence" and align with the principles of transparency at the OSCE Ministerial Council.²⁹⁹⁶

On 15 January 2025, Permanent Representative of Italy to the UN Maurizio Massari reiterated Italy's commitment to advancing the work of the UN including the Pact for the Future and the Global Digital Compact and upholding the UN Charter amid ongoing global security threats at the UNGA Plenary.²⁹⁹⁷

On 29 January 2025, Undersecretary of State to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs Giorgio Silli visited Mexico and discussed collaboration within reform of the UN Security Council (UNSC) with Mexican Undersecretary of Multilateral Affairs and Human Rights, Enrique Javier Ochoa Martínez.²⁹⁹⁸

²⁹⁹⁴ 2025年亚太经合组织领导人庆州宣言（摘要），中华人民共和国常驻联合国代表团 (Beijing) 1 November 2025. Translation provided by Google Translate. Access Date: 7 November 2025. https://un.china-mission.gov.cn/zgyw/202511/t20251101_11745424.htm

²⁹⁹⁵ Malta – Undersecretary Silli attends the 31st OSCE Ministerial Council, Ministero degli Affari Esteri e della Cooperazione Internazionale (Malta) 5 December 2025. Access Date: 3 September 2025. https://www.esteri.it/en/sala_stampa/archivionotizie/comunicati/2024/12/malta-il-sottosegretario-silli-partecipa-al-31mo-consiglio-ministeriale-dellosce/

²⁹⁹⁶ Thirty-First Meeting of the OSCE Ministerial Council, Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe (Malta) 6 December 2024. Access Date: 30 June 2025. <https://www.osce.org/files/f/documents/3/9/582397.pdf>

²⁹⁹⁷ STATEMENT OF ITALY'S PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE, AMB. MAURIZIO MASSARI AT THE GA PLENARY FOR THE REPORT OF THE SECRETARY-GENERAL ON THE WORK OF THE ORGANIZATION, Rappresentanza permanente d'Italia presso le Nazioni Unite New York (New York) 15 January 2025. Access Date: 3 September 2025.

https://italyun.esteri.it/en/news/dalla_rappresentanza/2025/01/statement-of-italys-permanent-representative-amb-maurizio-massari-at-the-ga-plenary-for-the-report-of-the-secretary-general-on-the-work-of-the-organization/

²⁹⁹⁸ Visita in Messico del Sottosegretario agli Affari Esteri Giorgio Silli, Ministero degli Affari Esteri e della Cooperazione Internazionale (Rome) 29 January 2025. Translation provided by Google Translate. Access Date: 19 May 2025. https://www.esteri.it/it/sala_stampa/archivionotizie/comunicati/2025/01/visita-in-messico-del-sottosegretario-agli-affari-esteri-giorgio-silli/

On 25 February 2025, Italy reaffirmed its commitment to the universal abolition of the death penalty at the United Nations Human Rights Council (UNHRC) Biennial High-Level Panel on the Death Penalty.²⁹⁹⁹ This demonstrates Italy's commitment to bolstering the institutional effectiveness of the UN, as well as international legal systems, human rights-centre penal reforms and advancing human rights and accountability in sentencing processes.

On 10 March 2025, Ambassador Massari and the Italian delegation participated in the 69th Commission on the Status of Women (CSW69) where Italy led events related to “women, peace and security” and “youth, peace and security” in partnership with several UN organizations.³⁰⁰⁰

On 12 March 2025, Undersecretary Silli co-chaired the third session of the Political Dialogue Mechanism with El Salvadoran Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs Adriana Mira, where they discussed development cooperation, regional issues and UNSC reform.³⁰⁰¹

On 14 March 2025, G7 Foreign Ministers released the G7 Foreign Ministers' Declaration on Maritime Security and Prosperity.³⁰⁰² The ministers reaffirmed the G7's commitment to “a free, open, and secure maritime domain based on the rule of law that strengthens international security, fosters economic prosperity, and ensures the sustainable use of marine resources.” The ministers also reiterated their commitment to tackling the “Emerging Threat on Safe Seas and Freedom of Navigation and Overflight,” “Safe Shipping and Supply Chain Security,” “Sustainable Stewardship of Maritime Resources” and partnerships. This reflects their commitment to promoting dialogue between G7 members and stakeholders and bolstering the institutional effectiveness on matters related to maritime security and prosperity. They also released a joint statement that reaffirmed G7 support for “Ukraine's long-term prosperity and security,” “Regional peace and stability in the Middle East,” “Cooperation to increase security and resilience across the Indo-Pacific,” “Building stability and resilience in Haiti and Venezuela,” “Supporting lasting peace in Sudan and the Democratic Republic of the Congo” and “Strengthening sanctions and countering hybrid warfare and sabotage.”³⁰⁰³ The joint statement reflects the G7's commitment to strengthening the institutional effectiveness of the G7.

On 18 March 2025, Ambassador Maurizio Massari on behalf of the Uniting for Consensus (UfC) Group presented a proposal for the reform of the UNSC to facilitate equitable representation and increase in membership to the Council.³⁰⁰⁴ The document proposes expanding the non-permanent category, introducing longer-term re-electable non-permanent seats, prioritizing equitable geographical distribution for underrepresented regional groups, creating special arrangements for cross-regional groups, increasing the

²⁹⁹⁹ Biennial High-Level Panel on the Death Penalty, Geneva Centre for Human Rights Advancement and Global Dialogue (Geneva) 25 February 2025. Access Date: 3 September 2025. <https://gchragd.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/03/Biennial-High-Level-Panel-on-the-Death-Penalty.pdf>

³⁰⁰⁰ PRESS RELEASE – THE 69TH COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN (CSW69) KICKS OFF AT THE UN, Rappresentanza permanente d'Italia presso le Nazioni Unite New York (New York) 10 March 2025. Access Date: 3 September 2025. https://italyun.esteri.it/en/news/dalla_rappresentanza/2025/03/press-release-the-69th-commission-on-the-status-of-women-csw69-kicks-off-at-the-un/

³⁰⁰¹ Missione istituzionale del Sottosegretario Silli in El Salvador, Ministero degli Affari Esteri e della Cooperazione Internazionale (Rome) 12 March 2025. Translation provided by Google Translate. Access Date: 19 May 2025. https://www.esteri.it/it/sala_stampa/archivionotizie/comunicati/2025/03/missione-istituzionale-del-sottosegretario-silli-in-el-salvador/

³⁰⁰² G7 Foreign Ministers' Declaration on Maritime Security and Prosperity, G7 Information Centre (Charlevoix) 14 March 2025. Access Date: 11 June 2025. <https://www.g7.utoronto.ca/foreign/250314-declaration.html>

³⁰⁰³ Joint statement of the G7 Foreign Ministers' Meeting in Charlevoix, G7 Information Centre (Charlevoix) 14 March 2025. Access Date: 11 June 2025. <https://www.g7.utoronto.ca/foreign/250314-statement.html>

³⁰⁰⁴ Statement by H.E. Ambassador Maurizio Massari on behalf of the Uniting for Consensus Group – The intergovernmental negotiations on the question of equitable representation on and increase in the membership of the Security Council and other matters related to the Council, Rappresentanza permanente d'Italia presso le Nazioni Unite New York (New York) 18 March 2025. Access Date: 3 September 2025. https://italyun.esteri.it/en/news/dalla_rappresentanza/2024/03/statement-by-h-e-ambassador-maurizio-massari-on-behalf-of-the-uniting-for-consensus-group-the-intergovernmental-negotiations-on-the-question-of-equitable-representation-on-and-increase-in-the-membe-2/

number of affirmative votes for UNSC decisions, abolishing the veto and formalizing rules of procedure and working methods.

On 2 May 2025, Italy reaffirmed that the protection and promotion of human rights to be at the core of its foreign policy objectives during its candidature for the Human Rights Council.³⁰⁰⁵ This demonstrates Italy's commitment to bolstering the institutional effectiveness of the UN.

On 12 May 2025, the Permanent Mission of Italy to the UN, the UN Department of Economic and Social Affairs (UN DESA) and the International Development Law Organization (IDLO) hosted the SDG16 Conference on "Advancing Peace, Justice and Institutions for Sustainable Development."³⁰⁰⁶ This initiative aims to strengthen the transparency and accountability of institutions and support intergovernmental processes.³⁰⁰⁷

On 14 May 2025, Italy reaffirmed its support and role in peacekeeping missions, also providing EUR100,000 for the UN Triangular Partnership Programme during the Berlin Peacekeeping Ministerial.³⁰⁰⁸

On 29 May 2025, Australia, Canada, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, Netherlands, New Zealand, South Korea, the United Kingdom and the United States as a part of the Multilateral Sanctions Monitoring Team issued a joint statement on unlawful military cooperation between North Korea and Russia, in violation of UNSC resolutions.³⁰⁰⁹ The multilateral mechanism aims to monitor and report on sanction measures implemented by the United Nations. This initiative underscores ongoing to advancing the UN's institutional effectiveness.

On 17 June 2025, Prime Minister Giorgia Meloni met with the Secretary-General of the UN, António Guterres, to discuss the UN80 initiative, which aims to reform the UN to increase the UN system's effectiveness.³⁰¹⁰

On 25 June 2025, Prime Minister Meloni gave an address about the ongoing efforts to ensure a ceasefire between Israel and Iran, as well as in Ukraine, emphasizing the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) Summit's support for Ukraine.³⁰¹¹ This aligns with Italy's commitment towards upholding multilateralism and using cooperation to solve ongoing crises.³⁰¹²

On 26 June 2025, Undersecretary Silli attended the 55th General Assembly of the Organization of American States (OAS) and in his address, Undersecretary Silli emphasized Italy's commitment towards working with

³⁰⁰⁵ Candidature of Italy to the Human Rights Council 2026-2028, Ministero degli Affari Esteri e della Cooperazione Internazionale (Rome) 2 May 2025. Access Date: 15 November 2025.

https://italyun.esteri.it/en/news/dalla_rappresentanza/2025/05/candidature-of-italy-to-the-human-rights-council-2026-2028/

³⁰⁰⁶ The Permanent Mission of Italy to the UN hosts the SDG16 Conference 2025 with UNDESA and IDLO, Rappresentanza permanente d'Italia presso le Nazioni Unite New York (New York) 22 April 2025. Access Date: 3 September 2025.

https://italyun.esteri.it/en/news/dalla_rappresentanza/2025/04/the-permanent-mission-of-italy-to-the-un-hosts-the-sdg16-conference-2025-with-undesa-and-idlo/

³⁰⁰⁷ SDG 16 Conference 2025 Advancing Peace, Justice and Institutions for Sustainable Development, Rappresentanza permanente d'Italia presso le Nazioni Unite New York (New York) 12 May 2025. Access Date: 3 September 2025.

<https://italyun.esteri.it/wp-content/uploads/2025/04/2025.Programme-and-guiding-Questions.SDG16-Conference.March-25.pdf>

³⁰⁰⁸ Italy Statement at the 2025 UN Peacekeeping Ministerial, United Nations (New York) 13 May 2025. Access Date: 15 August 2025. https://peacekeeping.un.org/sites/default/files/italy_0.pdf

³⁰⁰⁹ Joint Statement of the Multilateral Sanctions Monitoring Team (MSMT) on the first report covering DPRK-Russia Military Cooperation, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (Canberra) 30 March 2025. Access Date: 6 June 2025.

<https://www.dfat.gov.au/news/media-release/joint-statement-multilateral-sanctions-monitoring-team-msmt-first-report-covering-dprk-russia-military-cooperation>

³⁰¹⁰ Meeting with the Secretary-General of the United Nations, Italian Government Presidency of the Council of Ministers (Rome) 17 June 2025. Access Date: 15 July 2025. <https://www.governo.it/en/articolo/meeting-secretary-general-united-nations/29030>

³⁰¹¹ Presidency of the Council of Ministers (The Hague) 25 June 2025. Access Date: 24 August 2025.

<https://www.governo.it/en/articolo/president-meloni-s-press-point-nato-summit/29123>

³⁰¹² NATO concludes historic Summit in The Hague, North Atlantic Treaty Organization (The Hague) 25 June 2025. Access Date: 24 August 2025. https://www.nato.int/cps/en/natohq/news_236516.htm

countries in Latin America and the Caribbean for security and trade relations.³⁰¹³ This action aligns with Italy's commitment to advocating for multilateralism.

On 30 June 2025, the G7 Foreign Ministers, including Italy, released a statement endorsing the ceasefire between Israel and Iran and condemning Iran for their use of nuclear weapons under the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA).³⁰¹⁴ This supports Italy's commitment to upholding the roles of international organizations and international law.

On 28 July 2025, Italy and Indonesia co-chaired the working group, "Security for Israelis and Palestinians," during the UN "High-level International Conference for the Peaceful Settlement of the Question of Palestine and the Implementation of the Two-State Solution."³⁰¹⁵ The high-level plenary meeting and working groups facilitated discussions and consensus-building on concrete steps for international engagement and humanitarian action. This demonstrates Italy's commitment to bolstering the institutional effectiveness of the UN.

On 8 August 2025, Italy, along with G7 members in the G7 Rapid Response Mechanism (RRM), released a statement following the Hong Kong Arrest Warrants.³⁰¹⁶ This statement highlighted the role of the G7 RRM as a protection for state sovereignty and the need for the RRM to protect these rights and freedoms.

On 23 September 2025, Italy, together with the other G7 countries' foreign ministers, issued a joint statement recognizing the fundamental need for UN reform and expressing willingness to participate in the process.³⁰¹⁷

On 25 September 2025, Prime Minister Meloni necessitated reform of the United Nations and its related organizations for better transparency and cost during an address at the 80th session of the UN General Assembly.³⁰¹⁸

On 1 October 2025, the G7 Foreign Ministers and the High Representative of the European Union released a statement in support of the reimposition of UNSC sanctions and restrictions against Iran due to the government's failure to meet requirements under the Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action (JCPOA).³⁰¹⁹ This demonstrates the ministers' commitment to bolstering the institutional effectiveness of the UN.

On 8 October 2025, members of the G7 and the Nordic-Baltic 8++ (Belgium, Canada, Denmark, Estonia, European Union, Finland, France, Germany, Iceland, Italy, Japan, Latvia, Lithuania, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Sweden and the United Kingdom) released a joint statement committing to enhance cooperation and

³⁰¹³ Undersecretary Silli attends the 55th General Assembly of the Organization of American States, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation (Rome) 26 June 2025. Access Date: 23 August 2025.

https://www.esteri.it/en/sala_stampa/archivionotizie/comunicati/2025/06/il-sottosegretario-silli-partecipa-alla-55-assemblea-generale-dell'organizzazione-degli-stati-americani/

³⁰¹⁴ Joint Statement of the G7 Foreign Ministers on Iran and the Middle East, Global Affairs Canada (Ottawa) 30 June 2025. Access Date: 23 August 2025. <https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2025/06/joint-statement-of-the-g7-foreign-ministers-on-iran-and-the-middle-east.html>

³⁰¹⁵ High-level International Conference for the Peaceful Settlement of the Question of Palestine and the Implementation of the Two-State Solution, United Nations (New York) n.d. Access Date: 25 September 2025. <https://www.un.org/unispal/high-level-conference-two-state-solution-july2025>

³⁰¹⁶ G7 Rapid Response Mechanism (RRM) Statement on Hong Kong Arrest Warrants, Global Affairs Canada (Ottawa) 8 August 2025. Access Date: 16 August 2025. <https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2025/08/g7-rapid-response-mechanism-rrm-statement-on-hong-kong-arrest-warrants.html>

³⁰¹⁷ Joint G7 Foreign Ministers' Statement on the Margins of the High-Level Week at the United Nations General Assembly in New York, Permanent Mission of the Federal Republic of Germany to the United Nations (New York) 24 September 2025. Access Date: 10 October 2025. <https://new-york-un.diplo.de/un-en/2737110-2737110>

³⁰¹⁸ Italy, Her Excellency Giorgia Meloni President of the Council of Ministers, United Nations (New York) 24 September 2025. Access Date: 20 October 2025. <https://gadebate.un.org/en/80/italy>

³⁰¹⁹ G7 Foreign Ministers Statement on Iran Sanctions Snapback, Global Affairs Canada (Ottawa) 1 October 2025. Access Date: 28 October 2025. <https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2025/10/g7-foreign-ministers-statement-on-iran-sanctions-snapback.html>

advance efforts on disrupting and deterring global shadow fleet activity.³⁰²⁰ Members further reaffirmed their commitment to upholding international law such as the UN Convention on the Law of the Sea and acting in accordance with International Maritime Organization and International Labour Organization conventions and resolutions.

On 17 October 2025, the G7 Development Ministers convened on the peripheries of the annual World Bank Group and International Monetary Fund meetings in Washington D.C. to identify opportunities for further collaboration within the G7.³⁰²¹ The Ministers also underscored the importance of reforms to multilateral institutions focus on institutional performance and outcomes such as “structural realignment, mandate streamlining, and enhanced efficiency.”

On 22 October 2025, Australia, Canada, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, Netherlands, New Zealand, South Korea, United Kingdom and United States as a part of the Multilateral Sanctions Monitoring Team issued their second joint statement on the unlawful military cooperation between North Korea and Russia, in violation of UNSC resolutions (UNSCRs).³⁰²² The report underscores Italy’s commitment to the full implementation of UNSCRs. Further, the report calls on the UNSC to reimplement the Panel of Experts to maintain international security and hold the North Korea accountable in its violation and evasion of UN sanctions.

On 24 October 2025, President Mattarella reiterated Italy’s commitment to bolstering the institutional capacity of the UN in its ability to tackle contemporary crises and challenges, supporting the UN80 initiative and calling for the reform of the UNSC to make it more representative, accountable and effective.³⁰²³ In accordance with Article 11 of its Constitution, Italy embraces the core values of the UN Charter as articulated in the three pillars of peace, development and the protection of human rights.

On 4 November 2025, Australia, Canada, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, Netherlands, New Zealand, Republic of Korea, United Kingdom and United States issued a joint statement on the Democratic People Republic of Korea’s cyber and information technology activities that violate UNSCRs.³⁰²⁴ The report underscores Germany’s commitment to the full implementation of UNSCRs. Further, the report called on the UNSC to re-establish the Panel of Experts to bolster the institutional effectiveness of the UN.

Italy has partially complied with its commitment to work for a reinvigorated and strengthened multilateral system, rooted in the purposes and principles of the UN Charter and international law. It has taken moderate action in reforming UN bodies such as the UNSC by verbally affirming reform for the two key criteria of representation and effectiveness. However, it has not taken strong action to reform both a UN body and other relevant international organizations or advance institutional transparency and accountability.

Thus, Italy receives a score of 0.

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³⁰²⁰ Joint statement: Shadow Fleet Task Force, Global Affairs Canada (Ottawa) 10 October 2025. Access Date: 28 October 2025. <https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2025/10/joint-statement-shadow-fleet-task-force.html>

³⁰²¹ G7 Development Ministers’ Chair’s Summary – Fostering partnerships for economic prosperity, Global Affairs Canada (Ottawa) 21 October 2025. Access Date: 28 October 2025. <https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2025/10/g7-development-ministers-chairs-summary--fostering-partnerships-for-economic-prosperity.html>

³⁰²² Joint Statement of the Multilateral Sanctions Monitoring Team (MSMT) on the Report Covering DPRK Cyber and IT Worker Activities, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (Canberra) 22 October 2025. Access Date: 28 October 2025. <https://www.dfat.gov.au/news/media-release/joint-statement-multilateral-sanctions-monitoring-team-msmt-report-covering-dprk-cyber-and-it-worker-activities>

³⁰²³ Statement by President Mattarella celebrating the 80th United Nations Day, Presidenza Della Repubblica (Rome) 24 October 2025. Access Date: 15 November 2025. <https://www.quirinale.it/elementi/142467>

³⁰²⁴ Multilateral Sanctions Monitoring Team (MSMT): Joint Statement on the Report Covering DPRK Cyber and IT Worker Activities, Federal Foreign Office (Brussels) 4 November 2025. Access Date: 7 November 2025. <https://www.auswaertiges-amt.de/en/newsroom/news/2741814-2741814>

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Japan has fully complied with its commitment to work for a reinvigorated and strengthened multilateral system, rooted in the purposes and principles of the United Nations Charter and international law, with renewed institutions and a reformed governance that is more representative, effective, transparent and accountable, reflecting the social, economic and political realities of the 21st century.

On 22 November 2024, Minister of Foreign Affairs Iwaya Takeshi reaffirmed Japan's support for UN peacekeeping operations during a meeting with the Under-Secretary-General for Peace Operations at the UN Jean-Pierre Lacroix.³⁰²⁵ This demonstrates Japan's commitment to supporting the institutional effectiveness of the UN and the UN Triangular Partnership Programme.

On 26 November 2024, Minister Iwaya attended the G7 Foreign Ministers' Meeting and session on the "Indo-Pacific and Regional Issues" where he reiterated Japan's commitment to cooperating with G7 members to uphold "free and open international order based on the Rule of Law."³⁰²⁶ This demonstrates Japan's commitment to bolstering the institutional effectiveness of the G7.

On 11 December 2024, Japan, Uruguay and the United Kingdom co-hosted the UN Peacekeeping Ministerial Preparatory Meeting.³⁰²⁷ The meeting facilitated discussions between government officials from over 60 countries, experts, universities and research institutes on capacity-building in Peacekeeping and bolstering the capacities of peacekeepers under the Triangular Partnership Programme. This provided opportunities to bolster the institutional effectiveness and representativeness of the UN.

On 13 December 2024, State Minister for Foreign Affairs Miyaji Takuma held a meeting with Assistant Secretary General of Foreign and Community Relations from the Caribbean Community (CARICOM) Secretariat.³⁰²⁸ Minister Miyagi reaffirmed Japan's commitment to strengthening Japan-CARICOM relations to overcome sustainable development vulnerabilities and continue exchanging dialogue on various international issues.

On 14 December 2024, Minister Iwaya held and co-chaired the Eighth Japan-CARICOM Ministerial-Level Conference.³⁰²⁹ Minister Iwaya reaffirmed Japan's commitment to continued cooperation towards supporting sustainable development and addressing vulnerabilities in the areas of "maritime issues, disaster risk reduction, climate change, and human security."

On 14 December 2024, Director-General of the International Cooperation Bureau from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan Ishizuki Hideo and Head of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization, Investment and Technology Promotion Office Adachi Fumio signed Japan's grant of JPY730 million for "The

³⁰²⁵ Courtesy Call on Foreign Minister IWAYA by UN Under Secretary General for Peace Operations Lacroix, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (Tokyo) 22 November 2024. Access Date: 15 June 2025.

https://www.mofa.go.jp/press/release/pressite_000001_00751.html

³⁰²⁶ G7 Foreign Ministers' Meeting in Italy (Overview of the "Indo-Pacific" session), Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (Tokyo) 26 November 2024. Access Date: 15 June 2025. https://www.mofa.go.jp/fp/pc/pageite_000001_00681.html

³⁰²⁷ United Nations Peacekeeping Ministerial Preparatory Meeting, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (Tokyo) 12 December 2024. Access Date: 15 June 2025. https://www.mofa.go.jp/press/release/pressite_000001_00816.html

³⁰²⁸ Meeting between State Minister for Foreign Affairs MIYAJI and Ms. Elizabeth Solomon, Assistant Secretary General, Foreign and Community Relations, CARICOM Secretariat, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (Tokyo) 13 December 2024. Access Date: 15 June 2025. https://www.mofa.go.jp/press/release/pressite_000001_00830.html

³⁰²⁹ The Eighth Japan-CARICOM Ministerial-Level Conference, Working Lunch, Signing Ceremony, and Press Announcement, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (Tokyo) 14 December 2024. Access Date: 15 June 2025. https://www.mofa.go.jp/press/release/pressite_000001_00839.html

Project for Industrial Development and Technology Transfer in the Member States of the Caribbean Community” following the Japan-CARICOM Foreign Ministers’ Meeting.³⁰³⁰

On 16 December 2024, Senior Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs Akahori Takeshi committed to strengthening strategic cooperation with the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) during a meeting with the Administrator of the UNDP Achim Steiner.³⁰³¹

On 16 December 2024, Minister Iwaya committed to further strengthening collaboration with the UNDP and underscored UNDP efforts in facilitating private sector partnership for market development.³⁰³²

On 18 December 2024, Minister Iwaya committed to strengthening Japan’s relationship with the Association of Southeast Asian Nations during a meeting with the Secretary-General of the Kao Kim Hourn.³⁰³³

On 18 December 2024, Minister Iwaya reiterated Japan’s commitment to supporting the International Criminal Court (ICC) and stated the importance of ICC autonomy to fulfill its function as an independent body and strengthen the rule of law during a meeting with President of the ICC Akane Tomoko.³⁰³⁴

On 1 January 2025, Japan and Norway assumed the positions of Co-Chairs for the Women, Peace and Security (WPS) Focal Points Network for a one-year term.³⁰³⁵ The Co-Chairs aim to host several convenings under the theme of “Deepening WPS Commitments for Action: Innovating and adapting to deliver on peace and security.” These initiatives align with the three key priority areas of “Significance of the Development and Implementation of National and Regional Action Plans,” “The role of Women in Peace Mediation and Peacebuilding, and as Human Rights Defenders” and “Further Elaboration of the WPS Agenda, Including Advancing Its Application to Disaster Risk Reduction.” This partnership demonstrates Japan’s commitment to advancing institutional effectiveness and the WPS agenda.

On 14 January 2025, Parliamentary Vice-Minister for Foreign Affairs Eri Arfiya reiterated Japan’s commitment to strengthening cooperation with the UNDP and committed to promoting cooperation efforts focussed on “human dignity, human security in the field of development, and the Humanitarian, Development and Peace Nexus” during a meeting with the Director of the Crisis Bureau of the UNDP.³⁰³⁶

On 16 January 2025, Vice-Minister Eri attended the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD)-Southeast Asia High-Level Panel Discussion in Tokyo.³⁰³⁷ Minister Eri reiterated the

³⁰³⁰ Signing and Exchange of Notes concerning Japan’s Grant Aid to 14 CARICOM countries “The Project for Industrial Development and Technology Transfer in the Member States of the Caribbean Community”, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (Tokyo) 14 December 2024. Access Date: 15 June 2025. https://www.mofa.go.jp/press/release/pressite_000001_00838.html

³⁰³¹ Meeting between Senior Deputy Minister AKAHORI and Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) Steiner, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (Tokyo) 16 December 2024. Access Date: 14 June 2025. https://www.mofa.go.jp/press/release/press1e_000500.html

³⁰³² Meeting between Foreign Minister Iwaya and Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) Steiner, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (Tokyo) 16 December 2025. Access Date: 15 June 2025. https://www.mofa.go.jp/press/release/press1e_000499.html

³⁰³³ Meeting between Foreign Minister IWAYA and Dr. Kao Kim Hourn, Secretary-General of ASEAN, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (Tokyo) 18 December 2024. Access Date: 14 June 2025. https://www.mofa.go.jp/policy/economy/fta/asean/pressite_000001_00001.html

³⁰³⁴ Courtesy Call on Foreign Minister Iwaya by President Akane of the International Criminal Court (ICC), Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (Tokyo) 18 December 2024. Access Date: 14 June 2025. https://www.mofa.go.jp/press/release/pressite_000001_00858.html

³⁰³⁵ Japan and Norway are the 2025 Co-Chairs of the WPS Focal Points Network, Women, Peace and Security Focal Points Network (New York) n.d. Access Date: 10 June 2025. <https://wpsfocalpointsnetwork.org/>

³⁰³⁶ Courtesy Call on Parliamentary Vice-Minister Ms. ERI Arfiya by Ms. Shoko Noda, Director of the Crisis Bureau of the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (Tokyo) 14 January 2025. Access Date: 14 June 2025. https://www.mofa.go.jp/press/release/pressite_000001_00913.html

³⁰³⁷ Parliamentary Vice-Minister ERI’s attendance at the OECD – Southeast Asia High-Level Panel Discussion in Tokyo, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (Tokyo) 16 January 2025. Access Date: 14 June 2025. https://www.mofa.go.jp/press/release/pressite_000001_00925.html

importance of strengthening collaboration between the OECD and Southeast Asia to facilitate development efforts in the region.

On 16 January 2025, Japan held the 18th Japan-North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) High-Level Consultation where both the Japanese and NATO delegation reaffirmed their commitment to strengthen their working relationship.³⁰³⁸

On 17 January 2025, Minister Miyaji reiterated Japan's commitment to resolve development issues between International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) member states.³⁰³⁹ He further expressed his commitment to continue cooperation with the IAEA and IAEA Governors.

On 24 January 2025, State Minister for Foreign Affairs Fujii Hisayuki attended the informal ministerial gathering of the World Trade Organization (WTO).³⁰⁴⁰ Minister Fujii underscored the importance of strengthening the WTO system and the dispute settlement reform. Further, he exchanged views with the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade and Industry of Singapore Gan Kim Yong and the Ambassador and Permanent Representative of the Commonwealth of Australia to the WTO James Baxter on progress for the WTO Electronic Commerce Negotiations. Japan's participation in the Ministerial Gathering demonstrates its commitment to advancing the institutional effectiveness of the WTO.

On 31 January 2025, Minister Iwaya held a meeting with President of the 79th session of the UN General Assembly (UNGA) Philemon Yang.³⁰⁴¹ Minister Iwaya acknowledged progress on United Nations Security Council (UNSC) reform and discussed the revitalization of UNGA. Further, Minister Iwaya underscored the need for the UN to leverage its position to facilitate reconciliation and collaboration amongst increasingly fragmented international community members.

On 3 February 2025, Minister Fujii held a meeting with President of the 79th session of UNGA Philemon Yang.³⁰⁴² Minister Fujii underscored the importance of cooperation and dialogue to resolve international disputes. In addition, he highlighted the significance of "upholding the principles of the UN Charter" and "strengthening multilateralism with the UN at its core."

On 3 February 2025, Japan held the Japan-NATO Conference on Strategic Communications with attendees including officials from the Government of Japan, NATO, Indo-Pacific partners and the EU.³⁰⁴³ The conference facilitated dialogue between participants on challenges related to disinformation and future opportunities for cooperation.

³⁰³⁸ The 18th Japan-NATO High-Level Consultations, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (Tokyo) 16 January 2025. Access Date: 14 June 2025. https://www.mofa.go.jp/press/release/pressite_000001_00923.html

³⁰³⁹ State Minister for Foreign Affairs MIYAJI Receives a Courtesy Call from Governors of the International Atomic Energy Agency, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (Tokyo) 17 January 2025. Access Date: 14 June 2025. https://www.mofa.go.jp/press/release/pressite_000001_00930.html

³⁰⁴⁰ Visit of State Minister for Foreign Affairs FUJII Hisayuki to Switzerland (Attendance at the Informal WTO Ministerial Gathering hosted by Switzerland) (Results), Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (Tokyo) 24 January 2025. Access Date: 14 June 2025. https://www.mofa.go.jp/press/release/pressite_000001_00948.html

³⁰⁴¹ Foreign Minister IWAYA's Meeting and Working Dinner with H.E. Mr. Philemon YANG, President of the 79th session of the United Nations General Assembly (UNGA), Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (Tokyo) 31 January 2025. Access Date: 14 June 2025. https://www.mofa.go.jp/press/release/pressite_000001_00958.html

³⁰⁴² Working Dinner between State Minister for Foreign Affairs FUJII and H.E. Mr. Philemon YANG, President of the 79th session of the United Nations General Assembly (UNGA), Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (Tokyo) 3 February 2025. Access Date: 14 June 2025. https://www.mofa.go.jp/press/release/pressite_000001_00967.html

³⁰⁴³ Japan-NATO Conference on Strategic Communications, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (Tokyo) 3 February 2025. Access Date: 14 June 2025. https://www.mofa.go.jp/press/release/pressite_000001_00964.html

On 4 February 2025, Minister Iwaya committed to furthering cooperation with the IAEA in the area of “nuclear energy and nuclear non-proliferation” during a visit by the Director General of the IAEA Rafael Mariano Grossi.³⁰⁴⁴

On 4 February 2025, Minister Fujii held a meeting with the Deputy Executive Director of UN Women Kirsi Madi where he expressed ongoing collaborations between Japan and UN Women, and reiterated Japan’s commitment to further partnerships to promote WPS and advance efforts toward gender equality.³⁰⁴⁵

On 5 February 2025, Japan held the WPS Focal Points Network 7th Capital-Level meeting in Tokyo.³⁰⁴⁶ State Minister of Foreign Affairs Fujii Hisayuki committed that the government of Japan will contribute USD2 million to support the establishment of national and regional WPS action in the Asia-Pacific. He further reiterated his support to continue promoting the WPS agenda and expand women’s participation in disaster risk reduction, peace mediation and peacebuilding efforts.

On 11 February 2025, Parliamentary Vice-Minister for Foreign Affairs Matsumoto Hisashi held a meeting with the Secretary-General of the OECD Mathias Cormann where he reiterated Japan’s commitment to the role of the OECD as a “standard setter.”³⁰⁴⁷

On 12 February 2025, Minister Iwaya expressed Japan’s commitment to strengthening collaboration between Japan and the World Intellectual Property organization (WIPO) and reiterated the role of the WIPO as a leader in “free and fair economic order” during a meeting with WIPO’s Director General Daren Tang.³⁰⁴⁸

On 18 February 2025, Minister Iwaya held a meeting with the IAEA Director General Grossi where he reiterated the role of the IAEA and the importance of non-proliferation efforts.³⁰⁴⁹

On 19 February 2025, Minister Matsumoto received a courtesy call from trainees from the “The Shimanami Collective: Sea and Human Security For Free and Open Indo-Pacific” hosted by the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR).³⁰⁵⁰ Minister Matsumoto underscored the importance of UNITAR’s prioritization of human resource development and encouraged feedback from participants to facilitate dialogue and knowledge-sharing.

³⁰⁴⁴ Visit of H.E. Mr. Rafael Mariano Grossi, Director General of the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) to Japan, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (Tokyo) 4 February 2025. Access Date: 14 June 2025.

https://www.mofa.go.jp/press/release/pressite_000001_00971.html

³⁰⁴⁵ Courtesy call on State Minister for Foreign Affairs FUJII by Ms. Kirsi Madi, Deputy Executive Director of UN Women, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (Tokyo) 4 February 2025. Access Date: 14 June 2025.

https://www.mofa.go.jp/press/release/pressite_000001_00969.html

³⁰⁴⁶ WPS Focal Points Network 7th Capital-Level Meeting, Tokyo, Japan, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (Tokyo) 5 February 2025. Access Date: 10 June 2025. https://www.mofa.go.jp/press/release/pressite_000001_00977.html

³⁰⁴⁷ Visit of Parliamentary Vice-Minister for Foreign Affairs MATSUMOTO to the Republic of France (Results), Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (Tokyo) 14 February 2025. Access Date: 14 June 2025.

https://www.mofa.go.jp/press/release/pressite_000001_00994.html

³⁰⁴⁸ Courtesy Call on Foreign Minister Iwaya by Mr. Daren Tang, Director General, World Intellectual Property Organization, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (Tokyo) 12 February 2025. Access Date: 14 June 2025.

https://www.mofa.go.jp/press/release/press6e_000521.html

³⁰⁴⁹ Foreign Minister IWAYA’s Meeting and Working Dinner with IAEA Director General Grossi, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (Tokyo) 18 February 2025. Access Date: 14 June 2025. https://www.mofa.go.jp/press/release/pressite_000001_01005.html

³⁰⁵⁰ Courtesy call on Parliamentary Vice-Minister for Foreign Affairs MATSUMOTO Hisashi by trainees from the “The Shimanami Collective: Sea and Human Security For Free and Open Indo-Pacific” hosted by the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR), Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (Tokyo) 19 February 2025. Access Date: 14 June 2025.

https://www.mofa.go.jp/press/release/pressite_000001_01007.html

On 26 February 2025, Minister Iwaya reaffirmed Japan's commitment to supporting the integration and building of relations between the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) and ASEAN countries.³⁰⁵¹ Minister Iwaya underscored Japan's commitment to promoting the fundamental principles of the ASEAN Outlook on the Indo-Pacific of "openness, transparency, inclusivity, and a rules-based framework." This reflects Japan's commitment to bolstering the institutional effectiveness and representativeness of ASEAN.

On 26 February 2025, Parliamentary Vice-Minister for Foreign Affairs Ikuina Akiko attended the High-Level Segment of the UN Human Rights Council and the Geneva Conference on Disarmament.³⁰⁵² Minister Ikuina pressed for a "reinvigoration of existing disarmament institutions" and the commencement of negotiations and treaties related to disarmament and non-proliferation. Minister Ikuina also reaffirmed Japan's commitment to upholding international rules-based order in alignment with the Human Rights Council.

On 6 March 2025, Japan held the 40th ASEAN-Japan Forum where participants engaged in discussions on progress related to the "Vision and the Implementation Plan" and various regional and international issues.³⁰⁵³ This initiative reflects Japan's commitment to bolstering the institutional effectiveness and representativeness of ASEAN through promoting constructive dialogue.

On 11 March 2025, Minister Fujii met with Deputy Director-General of the World Trade Organization (WTO) Angela Ellard and discussed the urgent need for reform of the WTO.³⁰⁵⁴ Minister Fujii also pledged Japan's efforts to further collaborate with the WTO to reform and strengthen its system.

On 11 March 2025, Minister Fujii reaffirmed Japan's commitment to strengthening and reforming the WTO system on global trade during a courtesy call with the Deputy Director-General of the WTO Angela Ellard.³⁰⁵⁵

On 12 March 2025, Vice-Minister Eri reaffirmed Japan's alignment with and contribution to UN action on addressing sexual violence in conflict, public-private sector partnership for gender equality and the promotion of the WPS agenda at the 69th Session of the Commission on the Status of Women.³⁰⁵⁶ This reflects Japan's commitment to bolstering the institutional effectiveness and representativeness of the UN in advancing their agenda on women's empowerment and gender equality.

On 13 March 2025, Minister Iwaya reiterated Japan's commitment to collaborating with G7 members, stakeholders and like-minded countries on issues related to maritime security at the G7 Foreign Ministers' Meeting and session on Maritime Security and Prosperity.³⁰⁵⁷ This reflects Japan's commitment to strengthening the institutional effectiveness of the G7.

³⁰⁵¹ Video Message by Mr. IWAYA Takeshi, Minister for Foreign Affairs, for the ASEAN Future Forum 2025, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (Tokyo) 26 February 2025. Access Date: 13 June 2025.

https://www.mofa.go.jp/press/release/pressite_000001_01026.html

³⁰⁵² Participation of Ms. IKUINA Akiko, Parliamentary Vice-Minister for Foreign Affairs in the High-Level Segment of the UN Human Rights Council and the Geneva Conference on Disarmament, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (Tokyo) 27 February 2025. Access Date: 13 June 2025. https://www.mofa.go.jp/press/release/pressite_000001_01030.html

³⁰⁵³ The 40th ASEAN-Japan Forum, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (Tokyo) 6 March 2025. Access Date: 12 June 2025. https://www.mofa.go.jp/press/release/pressite_000001_01051.html

³⁰⁵⁴ Courtesy call on State Minister Mr. FUJII Hisayuki by Ms. Angela Ellard, Deputy Director-General of the WTO, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (Tokyo) 11 March 2025. Access Date: 15 July 2025.

https://www.mofa.go.jp/press/release/pressite_000001_01073.html

³⁰⁵⁵ Courtesy call on State Minister Mr. FUJII Hisayuki by Ms. Angela Ellard, Deputy Director-General of the WTO, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (Tokyo) 11 March 2025. Access Date: 12 June 2025.

https://www.mofa.go.jp/press/release/pressite_000001_01073.html

³⁰⁵⁶ Attendance of Parliamentary Vice-Minister for Foreign Affairs ERI Arfiya at the Sixty-Ninth Session of the Commission on the Status of Women (CSW), Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (Tokyo) 13 March 2025. Access Date: 12 June 2025.

https://www.mofa.go.jp/press/release/pressite_000001_01085.html

³⁰⁵⁷ G7 Foreign Ministers' Meeting in Charlevoix (Overview of the Session 6 on Maritime Security and Prosperity), Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (Tokyo) 13 March 2025. Access Date: 11 June 2025. https://www.mofa.go.jp/fp/pc/pageite_000001_00847.html

On 13 March 2025, Minister Iwaya reiterated the importance of the G7 and future collaboration to strengthen the unity of the group on issues affecting the international community at the G7 Foreign Ministers' Meeting and session on "Strengthening the G7 at 50 Years."³⁰⁵⁸

On 13 March 2025, Minister Iwaya requested "understanding and cooperation" from G7 members on North Korea's abductions issue during the G7 Foreign Ministers' Meeting and session on the Indo-Pacific.³⁰⁵⁹

On 13 March 2025, Minister Iwaya reiterated the importance of the G7 in establishing a framework for peace and security during the G7 Foreign Ministers' Meeting and session on Ukraine.³⁰⁶⁰

On 13 March 2025, Minister Iwaya reiterated Japan's position on challenges pertaining to peace and security in the Middle East at the G7 Foreign Ministers' Meeting and session on the Middle East.³⁰⁶¹ Minister Iwaya expressed that Japan aims to expand support for the reconstruction of Gaza through partnering with the Council for the East Asian Promotion for Palestinian Development, support the reconstruction and rehabilitation of Syria and continue dialogue with Iran to address its nuclear development activities. This reflects Japan's commitment to bolstering the institutional effectiveness of the G7 in its humanitarian activity in the Middle Eastern region.

On 13 March 2025, Minister Iwaya stated the importance of increasing the G7's economic presence in Latin America and the Caribbean to further foster public-private partnerships in the infrastructure sector at the G7 Foreign Ministers' Meeting and session on the Americas.³⁰⁶²

On 14 March 2025, Minister Iwaya reiterated the importance of strategic collaboration between G7 members amid contestation and confrontation on issues such as economic security and disinformation, with continued partnerships with European countries on Indo-Pacific security at the G7 Foreign Ministers' Meeting.³⁰⁶³

On 14 March 2025, Minister Iwaya stressed the importance of G7 members strengthening relations with African countries to address regional instability in countries such as the Eastern Democratic Republic of the Congo and Sudan at the G7 Foreign Ministers' Meeting and session on Africa.³⁰⁶⁴

On 14 March 2025, G7 Foreign Ministers released the G7 Foreign Ministers' Declaration on Maritime Security and Prosperity.³⁰⁶⁵ The ministers reaffirmed the G7's commitment to "a free, open, and secure maritime domain based on the rule of law that strengthens international security, fosters economic prosperity, and ensures the sustainable use of marine resources." The ministers also reiterated their commitment to tackling the "Emerging Threat on Safe Seas and Freedom of Navigation and Overflight," "Safe Shipping and Supply Chain Security," "Sustainable Stewardship of Maritime Resources" and partnerships. This reflects their commitment to promoting dialogue between G7 members and stakeholders and bolstering the institutional effectiveness on matters related to maritime security and prosperity. They also released a joint statement that reaffirmed G7

³⁰⁵⁸ G7 Foreign Ministers' Meeting in Charlevoix (Overview of the "Session 1 Strengthening the G7 at 50 Years"), Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (Tokyo) 13 March 2025. Access Date: 12 June 2025. https://www.mofa.go.jp/fp/pc/pageite_000001_00840.html

³⁰⁵⁹ G7 Foreign Ministers' Meeting in Charlevoix (Overview of the Session 2 on the Indo-Pacific), Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (Tokyo) 13 March 2025. Access Date: 12 June 2025. https://www.mofa.go.jp/fp/pc/pageite_000001_00841.html

³⁰⁶⁰ G7 Foreign Ministers' Meeting in Charlevoix (Overview of the Session 3 on Ukraine), Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (Tokyo) 13 March 2025. Access Date: 12 June 2025. https://www.mofa.go.jp/fp/pc/pageite_000001_00842.html

³⁰⁶¹ G7 Foreign Ministers' Meeting in Charlevoix (Overview of the Session 5 on the Middle East), Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (Tokyo) 13 March 2025. Access Date: 11 June 2025. https://www.mofa.go.jp/fp/pc/pageite_000001_00846.html

³⁰⁶² G7 Foreign Ministers' Meeting in Charlevoix (Overview of the Session 4 on the Americas), Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (Tokyo) 13 March 2025. Access Date: 11 June 2025. https://www.mofa.go.jp/fp/pc/pageite_000001_00844.html

³⁰⁶³ G7 Foreign Ministers' Meeting in Charlevoix (Overview of the Session 7 on Strategic Cooperation and Contestation), Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (Tokyo) 14 March 2025. Access Date: 11 June 2025. https://www.mofa.go.jp/fp/pc/pageite_000001_00851.html

³⁰⁶⁴ G7 Foreign Ministers' Meeting in Charlevoix (Overview of the Session 8 on Africa), Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (Tokyo) 14 March 2025. Access Date: 11 June 2025. https://www.mofa.go.jp/fp/pc/pageite_000001_00852.html

³⁰⁶⁵ G7 Foreign Ministers' Declaration on Maritime Security and Prosperity, G7 Information Centre (Charlevoix) 14 March 2025. Access Date: 11 June 2025. <https://www.g7.utoronto.ca/foreign/250314-declaration.html>

support for “Ukraine’s long-term prosperity and security,” “Regional peace and stability in the Middle East,” “Cooperation to increase security and resilience across the Indo-Pacific,” “Building stability and resilience in Haiti and Venezuela,” “Supporting lasting peace in Sudan and the Democratic Republic of the Congo” and “Strengthening sanctions and countering hybrid warfare and sabotage.”³⁰⁶⁶ The joint statement reflects the G7’s commitment to strengthening the institutional effectiveness of the G7.

On 22 March 2025, Minister Iwaya reiterated Japan’s commitment to fully implementing UNSC resolutions on the denuclearization of North Korea at the 11th Japan-China-Korea Trilateral Foreign Ministers’ Meeting.³⁰⁶⁷

On 22 March 2025, Minister Iwaya committed to strengthening cooperation between ASEAN to expand cooperation and promote ASEAN Outlook on the Indo-Pacific region at the 11th Japan-China-Korea Trilateral Foreign Ministers’ Meeting.³⁰⁶⁸ This reflects Japan’s commitment to bolstering ASEAN’s institutional effectiveness.

On 24 March 2025, Chief Cabinet Secretary Hayashi Yoshimasa spoke with Permanent Representative of the State of Kuwait to the UN and Chair of Intergovernmental Negotiation on Security Council Reform (IGN) Ambassador Tareq Albanai, reaffirming the Japanese government’s efforts in enhancing the UN’s operations, including reforming the Security Council.³⁰⁶⁹ Secretary Hayashi added that the G4 countries, Japan, Brazil, Germany and India, would continue to engage in efforts towards reform.

On 25 March 2025, Minister Iwaya spoke with Ambassador Tareq Albanai about the cooperation with Japan in UNSC reform.³⁰⁷⁰ Minister Iwaya also reaffirmed particularly, the G4 countries, Japan, Brazil, Germany and India’s continued efforts towards UNSC reform.

On 25 March 2025, Minister Iwaya reaffirmed Japan’s commitment to continued cooperation with the International Energy Agency (IEA) on energy security and institutional effectiveness at a meeting with the IEA’s Executive Director Fatih Birol.³⁰⁷¹

On 28 March 2025, Japan collaborated with Australia to monitor and survey illicit maritime activities that are prohibited by the UNSC resolutions at the Kadena Air Base in Japan.³⁰⁷² This marks the 15th time Australian aircraft engaged in these activities with Japan, which will help ensure effective implementation of the UNSC resolutions.

On 31 March 2025, Korea released a joint statement with Japan and the People’s Republic of China following the 13th Economic and Trade Ministers’ Meeting, pledging support for an inclusive and transparent WTO, which will be attainable through advancing efforts for comprehensive WTO reform.³⁰⁷³

³⁰⁶⁶ Joint statement of the G7 Foreign Ministers’ Meeting in Charlevoix, G7 Information Centre (Charlevoix) 14 March 2025.

Access Date: 11 June 2025. <https://www.g7.utoronto.ca/foreign/250314-statement.html>

³⁰⁶⁷ The Eleventh Japan-China-ROK Trilateral Foreign Ministers’ Meeting, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (Tokyo) 22 March 2025. Access Date: 11 June 2025. https://www.mofa.go.jp/press/release/pressite_000001_01107.html

³⁰⁶⁸ The Eleventh Japan-China-ROK Trilateral Foreign Ministers’ Meeting, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (Tokyo) 22 March 2025. Access Date: 11 June 2025. https://www.mofa.go.jp/press/release/pressite_000001_01107.html

³⁰⁶⁹ 安保理改革に関する政府間交渉 (IGN) 議長 (アル・パンナニー・クウェート国・国連常駐代表) による林内閣官房長官表敬, 外務省 (Tokyo) 24 March 2025. Translation provided by Google Translate. Access Date: 19 May 2025. https://www.mofa.go.jp/mofaj/fp/unp/pageit_000001_01743.html

³⁰⁷⁰ 安保理改革に関する政府間交渉 (IGN) 議長 (アル・パンナニー・クウェート国・国連常駐代表) による岩屋外務大臣表敬, 外務省 (Tokyo) 25 March 2025. Translation provided by Google Translate. Access Date: 19 May 2025. https://www.mofa.go.jp/mofaj/press/release/pressit_000001_01947.html

³⁰⁷¹ Foreign Minister IWAYA’s Meeting with IEA Executive Director Fatih BIROL, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (Tokyo) 25 March 2025. Access Date: 11 June 2025. https://www.mofa.go.jp/press/release/pressite_000001_01119.html

³⁰⁷² Monitoring and surveillance activities by Australia against illicit maritime activities including ship-to-ship transfers, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (Tokyo) 28 March 2025. Access Date: 18 May 2025. https://www.mofa.go.jp/press/release/pressite_000001_01131.html

³⁰⁷³ Joint Media Statement of the Thirteenth Economic and Trade Ministers’ Meeting between the Republic of Korea, Japan and the People’s Republic of China, KOREA.net (Seoul) 31 March 2025. Access Date: 15 July 2025.

On 21 April 2025, Minister Iwaya reaffirmed Japan's commitment to continue collaborative efforts with the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP) during the 81st Session of the UN ESCAP.³⁰⁷⁴ This reflects Japan's commitment to increase capacity building in the Asia-Pacific through bolstering the institutional effectiveness of ESCAP.

On 28 April 2025, Minister Iwaya met with Secretary-General of the UN António Manuel de Oliveira Guterres.³⁰⁷⁵ Minister Iwaya relayed Japan's commitment to UNSC reform, particularly to expand permanent and non-permanent seats.

On 29 April 2025, Minister Iwaya met with UN Secretary-General António Guterres and reaffirmed the need for UNSC reform.³⁰⁷⁶ Minister Iwaya stated that Japan would work closely with the UN to reform the UNSC, including increasing permanent and non-permanent membership, as well as other global issues.

On 13 May 2025, Minister Iwaya held a meeting with WTO Director-General Ngozi Okonjo-Iweala.³⁰⁷⁷ Minister Iwaya underscored the need to advance WTO reform to improve the institutional representativeness and involvement of all WTO members.

On 15 May 2025, Minister Fujii attended the UN Peacekeeping Ministerial in Berlin, Germany.³⁰⁷⁸ Minister Fujii reaffirmed Japan's commitment to promoting capacity-building and training programs under the UN Triangular Partnership Programme, foster peacekeeping dialogue and knowledge-sharing and fulfil its obligations as the Vice-Chair of the Peacebuilding Commission to streamline peacekeeping efforts and the institutional effectiveness of the UN.

On 16 May 2025, Minister Miyagi expressed Japan's support to advance reforms at the WTO at the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation Ministers Responsible for Trade Meeting.³⁰⁷⁹ This reflects Japan's commitment to promote the WTO's rules-based multilateral trading system and sustainable economic growth in the Asia-Pacific region.

On 19 May 2025, Minister Iwaya committed to further strengthening relations with Germany within the G7 framework during a meeting with German Minister for Foreign Affairs Johann Wadephul.³⁰⁸⁰

On 22 May 2025, Minister Fujii received a courtesy call from Deputy Executive Director of UN Women Kirsi Madi where he committed to continued cooperation with UN Women and reaffirmed the importance of UN Women as a partner in advancing Japan's WPS agenda.³⁰⁸¹

³⁰⁷⁴ Video Message by Mr. IWAYA Takeshi, Minister for Foreign Affairs, at the 81st Session of the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP), Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (Tokyo) 21 April 2025. Access Date: 10 June 2025. https://www.mofa.go.jp/press/release/pressite_000001_01195.html

³⁰⁷⁵ Foreign Minister IWAYA's meeting with H.E. Mr. António Manuel de Oliveira Guterres, Secretary-General of the United Nations, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (Tokyo) 28 April 2025. Access Date: 15 July 2025. https://www.mofa.go.jp/fp/unp_a/pageite_000001_00935.html

³⁰⁷⁶ Iwaya and Gueterres reaffirm need for U.N. Security Council reform, The Japan Times (Tokyo) 29 April 2025. Access Date: 19 May 2025. <https://www.japantimes.co.jp/news/2025/04/29/japan/iwaya-guterres-un-security-council-reform/>

³⁰⁷⁷ Meeting, Joint Press Statement and Working Dinner between Mr. IWAYA Takeshi, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Japan, and Dr. Ngozi Okonjo-Iweala, Director-General of the World Trade Organization (WTO), Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (Tokyo) 13 May 2025. Access Date: 10 June 2025. https://www.mofa.go.jp/press/release/pressite_000001_01261.html

³⁰⁷⁸ Attendance of State Minister for Foreign Affairs FUJII to the United Nations Peacekeeping Ministerial, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (Tokyo) 15 May 2025. Access Date: 10 June 2025. https://www.mofa.go.jp/press/release/pressite_000001_01269.html

³⁰⁷⁹ 2025 APEC Ministers Responsible for Trade (MRT) Meeting, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (Tokyo) 16 May 2025. Access Date: 10 June 2025. https://www.mofa.go.jp/press/release/pressite_000001_01271.html

³⁰⁸⁰ Japan-Germany Foreign Ministers' Telephone Meeting, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (Tokyo) 19 May 2025. Access Date: 10 June 2025. https://www.mofa.go.jp/press/release/pressite_000001_01279.html

³⁰⁸¹ Courtesy call on State Minister for Foreign Affairs FUJII by Ms. Kirsi Madi, Deputy Executive Director of UN Women, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (Tokyo) 22 May 2025. Access Date: 10 June 2025. https://www.mofa.go.jp/press/release/pressite_000001_01289.html

On 22 May 2025, Parliamentary Vice-Minister for Foreign Affairs Matsumoto Hisashi committed to strengthening Japan's partnership with the UNDP during a courtesy call with UNDP Assistant Administrator and Director of the Regional Bureau for Asia and the Pacific Kanni Wignaraja.³⁰⁸² This reflects Japan's commitment to upholding international rules-based order and promote the UNDP's institutional effectiveness.

On 23 May 2025, Japan held a visit by the UN Under-Secretary-General for Global Communications Melissa Fleming.³⁰⁸³ The visit involves meetings with government officials and representatives from the private sector. This initiative aims to bolster relationships between Japan and the UN in the area of strategic and digital communications on issues related to the Sustainable Development Goals, the climate crisis, public health and misinformation.

On 27 May 2025, the Japan Atomic Energy Commission in the Cabinet Office co-hosted IAEA's Lise Meitner Programme to provide development opportunities and resources for female researchers and professionals in the nuclear science and technology sector.³⁰⁸⁴ This reflects Japan's commitment to promoting the institutional representativeness of international organizations.

On 27 May 2025, Minister Iwaya held a meeting with the Commissioner-General of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA) Philippe Lazzarini to highlight the important role UNRWA plays in facilitating humanitarian efforts.³⁰⁸⁵ This reflects Japan's commitment to supporting UNRWA's activities and improvements to its governance structure.

On 28 May 2025, Minister Iwaya held a bilateral meeting with Deputy Prime Minister of Cambodia Prak Sokhonn to reaffirm their commitment to cooperation in ASEAN on regional and international issues.³⁰⁸⁶

On 29 May 2025, Australia, Canada, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, Netherlands, New Zealand, South Korea, the United Kingdom and the United States as a part of the Multilateral Sanctions Monitoring Team issued a joint statement on unlawful military cooperation between North Korea and Russia, in violation of UNSC resolutions.³⁰⁸⁷ The multilateral mechanism aims to monitor and report on sanction measures implemented by the United Nations. This initiative underscores ongoing to advancing the UN's institutional effectiveness.

On 29 May 2025, Minister Iwaya reaffirmed Japan's commitment to promote WTO reform at the Nikkei Forum 30th "Future of Asia" forum.³⁰⁸⁸

³⁰⁸² Courtesy Call on Parliamentary Vice-Minister Matsumoto by Ms. Kanni Wignaraja, Assistant Administrator and Director of the Regional Bureau for Asia and the Pacific, United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), Ministry of Foreign Affairs (Tokyo) 22 May 2025. Access Date: 10 June 2025. https://www.mofa.go.jp/press/release/pressite_000001_01292.html

³⁰⁸³ Visit of Ms. Melissa Fleming, United Nations Under-Secretary-General for Global Communications to Japan, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (Tokyo) 23 May 2025. Access Date: 10 June 2025. https://www.mofa.go.jp/press/release/pressite_000001_01294.html

³⁰⁸⁴ International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) Lise Meitner Programme (LMP), Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (Tokyo) 27 May 2025. Access Date: 10 June 2025. https://www.mofa.go.jp/press/release/pressite_000001_01305.html

³⁰⁸⁵ Meeting between Foreign Minister IWAYA and Commissioner-General Philippe Lazzarini of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA), Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (Tokyo) 27 May 2025. Access Date: 10 June 2025. https://www.mofa.go.jp/press/release/pressite_000001_01307.html

³⁰⁸⁶ Japan-Cambodia Foreign Ministers' Meeting, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (Tokyo) 28 May 2025. Access Date: 10 June 2025. https://www.mofa.go.jp/press/release/pressite_000001_01312.html

³⁰⁸⁷ Joint Statement of the Multilateral Sanctions Monitoring Team (MSMT) on the first report covering DPRK-Russia Military Cooperation, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (Canberra) 30 March 2025. Access Date: 6 June 2025. <https://www.dfat.gov.au/news/media-release/joint-statement-multilateral-sanctions-monitoring-team-msmt-first-report-covering-dprk-russia-military-cooperation>

³⁰⁸⁸ Foreign Minister IWAYA's Attendance at the Nikkei Forum 30th "The Future of Asia" Welcoming Dinner, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (Tokyo) 29 May 2025. Access Date: 10 June 2025. https://www.mofa.go.jp/press/release/pressite_000001_01320.html

On 29 May 2025, Minister Iwaya reaffirmed Japan's commitment to cooperation between Japan and Canada within the G7 with Canada's Minister of Foreign Affairs Anita Anand.³⁰⁸⁹

On 30 May 2025, Vice Minister for Foreign Affairs Funakoshi Takehiro met with French Secretary General of the Ministry of Europe and Foreign Affairs Anne-Marie Descôtes to reaffirm their commitment to strengthening cooperation at the G7 and in other international settings.³⁰⁹⁰

On 30 May 2025, Japan held a visit of international experts and officials from the IAEA for review of TEPCO's Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Power Station.³⁰⁹¹ This independent review by the IAEA Task Force consisting of international experts from 11 countries demonstrates ongoing efforts to facilitate the use of nuclear energy, enhancing the institutional effectiveness and representativeness of the IAEA.

On 30 May 2025, Minister Iwaya held a bilateral meeting with Minister of Foreign Affairs of Thailand Maris Sangiampongsa to reaffirm Japan's support for Thailand's accession to the OECD.³⁰⁹² This reflects Japan's commitment to promoting institutional representativeness of international organizations.

On 3 June 2025, Minister Fujii and State Minister of Economy, Trade and Industry Ogushi Masaki attended the Informal Gathering of WTO Ministers, where the ministers discussed the ongoing WTO reforms.³⁰⁹³ Minister Fujii emphasized the need for WTO reforms to overcome its current challenges and pledged to continue future dialogue on WTO reform.

On 16 June 2025, Minister Iwaya met with the ASEAN Committee in Tokyo (ACT) and discussed the importance of ongoing cooperation between Japan and ASEAN to tackle regional issues, such as with North Korea.³⁰⁹⁴

On 18 June 2025, Director-General for Global Issues at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs Nakamura Ryo met with Deputy Executive Director of Partnerships at United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) and exchanged views on the ongoing issues.³⁰⁹⁵ Japan reiterated its ongoing cooperation with UNICEF on issues around children and human rights.

On 24 June 2025, Minister Iwaya met with North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) Secretary General Mark Rutte and promised to increase NATO and Indo-Pacific cooperation for peace and security within the region.³⁰⁹⁶

³⁰⁸⁹ Japan-Canada Foreign Ministers' Telephone Meeting, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (Tokyo) 29 May 2025. Access Date: 10 June 2025. https://www.mofa.go.jp/press/release/pressite_000001_01319.html

³⁰⁹⁰ Japan-France Vice Ministers' Meeting, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (Tokyo) 30 May 2025. Access Date: 10 June 2025. https://www.mofa.go.jp/press/release/pressite_000001_01330.html

³⁰⁹¹ Visit of IAEA Officials and International Experts for a Review on the Discharge of ALPS Treated Water from TEPCO's Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Power Station into the Sea (Results), Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (Tokyo) 30 May 2025. Access Date: 10 June 2025. https://www.mofa.go.jp/press/release/pressite_000001_01327.html

³⁰⁹² Japan-Thailand Foreign Ministers' Meeting and Working Lunch, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (Tokyo) 30 May 2025. Access Date: 10 June 2025. https://www.mofa.go.jp/press/release/pressite_000001_01323.html

³⁰⁹³ State Minister for Foreign Affairs Fujii's attendance at the Informal Gathering of WTO Ministers hosted by Australia, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (Tokyo) 4 June 2025. Access Date: 15 July 2025. https://www.mofa.go.jp/press/release/pressite_000001_01339.html

³⁰⁹⁴ Luncheon meeting with the ASEAN Tokyo Committee (ACT) hosted by Foreign Minister Iwaya, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (Tokyo) 16 June 2025. Access Date: 24 August 2025. https://www.mofa.go.jp/press/release/pressite_000001_01375.html

³⁰⁹⁵ Outcome of the 36th Japan-UNICEF Policy Dialogue, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (Tokyo) 18 June 2025. Access Date: 24 August 2025. https://www.mofa.go.jp/press/release/pressite_000001_01379.html

³⁰⁹⁶ Meeting between Foreign Minister Iwaya and NATO Secretary General Rutte, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (Tokyo) 24 June 2025. Access Date: 24 August 2025. https://www.mofa.go.jp/erp/ep/pageite_000001_01073.html

On 24 June 2025, Minister Iwaya reiterated Japan's commitment to the ICC and ICJ during meetings with the President of the International Criminal Court (ICC) Akane Tomoko and the President of the International Court of Justice (ICJ) Iwasawa Yuji.³⁰⁹⁷

On 25 June 2025, Minister Iwaya attended the G7 Foreign Ministers' Meeting, participating in a discussion about finalizing a ceasefire between Iran and Israel for Gaza, as well as challenges related to China and North Korea.³⁰⁹⁸ Japan promised to maintain close contact and cooperate with the other G7 member countries to address these problems.

On 30 June 2025, the G7 Foreign Ministers, including Japan, released a statement endorsing the ceasefire between Israel and Iran and condemning Iran for their use of nuclear weapons under the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA).³⁰⁹⁹ This demonstrates Japan's commitment to upholding the roles of international organizations and international law.

On 3 July 2025, Minister Fujii met with the Under-Secretary-General for Operational Support at the United Nations Atul Khare about the ongoing efforts towards UN reform, as well as Japan's unwavering commitment to collaborating with the UN.³¹⁰⁰

On 22 July 2025, Japan and the EU met to reiterate their commitment towards principles such as international law and democracy, as well as discuss cooperation between Europe and the Indo-Pacific for maritime security with adherence to international law, particularly the United Nations Convention on the Laws of the Sea (UNCLOS).³¹⁰¹ There was also discussion on working together to advance a more representative economic order and undertake comprehensive reform of the WTO.

On 23 July 2025, Minister Miyaji attended the High-Level Political Forum on Sustainable Development (HLPF) 2025 Ministerial Segment and noted Japan's support for the ongoing reform measures happening through UN initiatives.³¹⁰²

On 23 July 2025, Minister Miyaji met with Executive Director of UNICEF Catherine Russell and emphasized Japan's interests in maintaining cooperation with UNICEF to address human security issues.³¹⁰³

³⁰⁹⁷ Courtesy Call on Foreign Minister IWAYA by President IWASAWA of the International Court of Justice (ICJ) and President AKANE of the International Criminal Court (ICC), Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (Tokyo) 24 June 2025. Access Date: 24 August 2025. https://www.mofa.go.jp/ila/ila/pageite_000001_01074.html

³⁰⁹⁸ The G7 Foreign Minister's Meeting, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (Tokyo) 25 June 2025. Access Date: 24 August 2025. https://www.mofa.go.jp/fp/pc/pageite_000001_01079.html

³⁰⁹⁹ Joint Statement of the G7 Foreign Ministers on Iran and the Middle East, Global Affairs Canada (Ottawa) 30 June 2025. Access Date: 23 August 2025. <https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2025/06/joint-statement-of-the-g7-foreign-ministers-on-iran-and-the-middle-east.html>

³¹⁰⁰ Dinner with Mr. Atul Khare, Under-Secretary-General for Operational Support, the United Nations, hosted by State Minister FUJII for Foreign Affairs, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (Tokyo) 4 July 2025. Access Date: 15 July 2025. https://www.mofa.go.jp/press/release/pressite_000001_01426.html

³¹⁰¹ Joint statement following the EU-Japan Summit 2025, European Union (Brussels) 22 July 2025. Access Date: 24 August 2025. https://ec.europa.eu/commission/presscorner/detail/en/statement_25_1890

³¹⁰² Statement by State Minister for Foreign Affairs Miyaji on the occasion of the UN High-Level Political Forum on Sustainable Development (HLPF) Ministerial Segment, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (Tokyo) 24 July 2025. Access Date: 24 August 2025. https://www.mofa.go.jp/press/release/pressite_000001_01480.html

³¹⁰³ Meeting between State Minister Miyaji and UNICEF Executive Director Russell, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (Tokyo) 23 July 2025. Access Date: 24 August 2025. https://www.mofa.go.jp/press/release/pressite_000001_01478.html

On 23 July 2025, Minister Miyaji met with UN Secretary-General Guterres and expressed Japan's support for strengthening multilateralism at the UN.³¹⁰⁴ Minister Miyaji also expressed his gratitude towards the Secretary-General's efforts in undertaking UN reform through the UN80 initiative.

On 28 July 2025, Japan and Norway co-chaired the working group, "Economic Viability of the Palestinian State," during the UN "High-level International Conference for the Peaceful Settlement of the Question of Palestine and the Implementation of the Two-State Solution."³¹⁰⁵ The high-level plenary meeting and working groups facilitated discussions and consensus-building on concrete steps for international engagement and humanitarian action. This demonstrates Japan's commitment to bolstering the institutional effectiveness of the UN.

On 4 August 2025, Minister Iwaya spoke to Executive Secretary of the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty Organization (CTBTO) Robert Floyd about strengthening cooperation between Japan and the CTBTO, as well as continuing to maintain the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty (CTBT).³¹⁰⁶

On 8 August 2025, Japan, along with G7 members in the G7 Rapid Response Mechanism (RRM), released a statement following the Hong Kong Arrest Warrants.³¹⁰⁷ This statement highlighted the role of the G7 RRM as a protection for state sovereignty and the need for the RRM to protect these rights and freedoms.

On 8 August 2025, Minister Iwaya spoke to Executive Director of the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) Michelle Gyles-McDonnough about Japan's interests in cooperating with UNITAR for human resource development.³¹⁰⁸

On 8 August 2025, Minister Iwaya reiterated Japan's support in strengthening international law and the ICC more generally during a courtesy call with the President of the ICC Judge Akane.³¹⁰⁹

On 15 August 2025, Japan announced its decision to provide an Emergency Grant of approximately USD1.8 million to address urgent humanitarian needs along the Cambodia–Thailand border.³¹¹⁰ This assistance will be delivered through the International Organization for Migration (IOM) and the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF), focusing on areas such as essential supplies and temporary shelter. This reaffirms Japan's commitment to multilateral institutions and to supporting efforts aimed at easing tensions between Cambodia and Thailand.

³¹⁰⁴ Meeting between State-Minister Miyaji and H.E. Mr. António Manuel de Oliveira Guterres, Secretary-General of the United Nations, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (Tokyo) 23 July 2025. Access Date: 24 August 2025.

https://www.mofa.go.jp/press/release/pressite_000001_01473.html

³¹⁰⁵ High-level International Conference for the Peaceful Settlement of the Question of Palestine and the Implementation of the Two-State Solution, United Nations (New York) n.d. Access Date: 25 September 2025. <https://www.un.org/unispal/high-level-conference-two-state-solution-july2025>

³¹⁰⁶ Courtesy Call on Foreign Minister IWAYA by Dr. Robert Floyd, Executive Secretary of the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty Organization (CTBTO), Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (Tokyo) 4 August 2025. Access Date: 24 August 2025.

https://www.mofa.go.jp/press/release/pressite_000001_01514.html

³¹⁰⁷ G7 Rapid Response Mechanism (RRM) Statement on Hong Kong Arrest Warrants, Global Affairs Canada (Ottawa) 8 August 2025. Access Date: 16 August 2025. <https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2025/08/g7-rapid-response-mechanism-rrm-statement-on-hong-kong-arrest-warrants.html>

³¹⁰⁸ Courtesy Call on Foreign Minister Iwaya by Ms. Michelle Gyles-McDonnough, Executive Director of the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR), Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (Tokyo) 8 August 2025. Access Date: 24 August 2025. https://www.mofa.go.jp/press/release/pressite_000001_01525.html

³¹⁰⁹ Courtesy Call on Foreign Minister IWAYA by President AKANE of the International Criminal Court (ICC), Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (Tokyo) 8 August 2025. Access Date: 24 August 2025.

https://www.mofa.go.jp/press/release/pressite_000001_01524.html

³¹¹⁰ Emergency Grant for the Cambodia-Thailand Border Areas, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (Tokyo) 15 August 2025. Access Date: 15 August 2025. https://www.mofa.go.jp/press/release/pressite_000001_01545.html

On 23 September 2025, Japan, together with the other G7 countries' foreign ministers, issued a joint statement recognizing the fundamental need for UN reform and expressing willingness to participate in the process.³¹¹¹

On 23 September 2025, Minister Iwaya met with President of the UNGA Annalena Baerbock on the sidelines of the UNGA meeting.³¹¹² He stated the urgency of UNSC reform and reaffirmed Japan's commitment to participating in discussions on General Assembly revitalization efforts.

On 23 September 2025, Minister Iwaya participated in a working breakfast on UNSC reform.³¹¹³ Minister Iwaya underscored the importance of UNSC reform for permanent and non-permanent member categories, as well as ensuring representation for small and medium size UN members including Small Island Developing States (SIDS). This demonstrates Japan's commitment to bolstering the institutional representation of the UNSC.

On 24 September 2025, Minister Iwaya met with Secretary General of NATO Mark Rutte on the sidelines on UNGA.³¹¹⁴ Both sides reaffirmed their commitment to strengthening partnerships between Japan and NATO to bolster institutional effectiveness.

On 24 September 2025, Minister Iwaya attended the Women, Peace and Security (WPS) Focal Points Network High-Level Side Event.³¹¹⁵ Minister Iwaya reaffirmed Japan's commitment to promote the WPS agenda as co-chair of the WPS Focal Points Network, bolstering the institutional effectiveness of the UNSC.

On 25 September 2025, Japan issued a joint statement with Germany, Brazil and India on the prospects of the UNSC reform in the G4 countries meeting, including improving the representation of the underrepresented and unrepresented regions and groups and implementing the UN80 process.³¹¹⁶

On 25 September 2025, Minister Iwaya attended the Ministerial-level Meeting of the UN Peacebuilding Commission (PBC) on "Promoting Social Cohesion and Inclusive Governance to Foster Community Resilience and Sustainable Peace."³¹¹⁷ He stated the importance of strengthening PBC's coordination with the main UN organs including the UNSC, UNGA and ECOSOC to bolster the institutional effectiveness of PBC. Minister Iwaya further reiterated Japan's commitment to supporting PBC conflict prevention and peacebuilding efforts.

On 25 September 2025, Minister Iwaya attended the G20 Foreign Ministers' Meeting under the theme of "The United Nations at 80 years: Reaffirming Peace as a path to sustainable economic development."³¹¹⁸ He highlighted Japan's priorities in the G20 including "disaster risk reduction, critical minerals, and debt issues."

³¹¹¹ Joint G7 Foreign Ministers' Statement – Meeting of the G7 Foreign Ministers on the Margins of the High-Level Week at the United Nations General Assembly in New York, Global Affairs Canada (New York) 23 September 2025. Access Date: 10 October 2025. <https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2025/09/joint-g7-foreign-ministers-statement--meeting-of-the-g7-foreign-ministers-on-the-margins-of-the-high-level-week-at-the-united-nations-general-assembly.html>

³¹¹² Foreign Minister IWAYA's meeting with H.E. Ms. Annalena BAERBOCK, President of the 80th session of the United Nations General Assembly, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (Tokyo) 23 September 2025. Access Date: 29 October 2025. https://www.mofa.go.jp/fp/un/pageite_000001_00005.html

³¹¹³ Foreign Minister IWAYA's Attendance at Working Breakfast on Security Council Reform Hosted by Mr. Barrot, Foreign Minister of the French Republic, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (Tokyo) 23 September 2025. Access Date: 29 October 2025. https://www.mofa.go.jp/fp/unp/pageite_000001_01283.html

³¹¹⁴ Informal Talks between Foreign Minister IWAYA and NATO Secretary General Rutte, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (Tokyo) 24 September 2025. Access Date: 29 October 2025. https://www.mofa.go.jp/erp/erp_1/pageite_000001_01298.html

³¹¹⁵ Attendance of Foreign Minister IWAYA at the Women, Peace and Security (WPS) Focal Points Network High-Level Side Event, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (Tokyo) 24 September 2025. Access Date: 29 October 2025.

³¹¹⁶ G4 Ministerial Joint Statement, 25 September 2025, Permanent Mission of the Federal Republic of Germany to the United Nations (New York) 26 September 2025. Access Date: 10 October 2025. <https://new-york-un.diplo.de/un-en/2736578-2736578>

³¹¹⁷ Foreign Minister IWAYA's attendance at the United Nations Peacebuilding Commission Ministerial-level Meeting on "Promoting Social Cohesion and Inclusive Governance to Foster Community Resilience and Sustainable Peace," Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (Tokyo) 25 September 2025. Access Date: 29 October 2025. https://www.mofa.go.jp/fp/unp/pageite_000001_01300.html

³¹¹⁸ The Second G20 Foreign Ministers' Meeting Under South Africa's Presidency (Summary), Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (Tokyo) 25 September 2025. Access Date: 29 October 2025. https://www.mofa.go.jp/ecm/epc/pageite_000001_01302.html

Minister Iwaya stated the urgency of the debt restructuring process of the G20 Common Framework to bolster the G20's institutional effectiveness. He also reaffirmed Japan's commitment to cooperating with international organizations including the UN to co-develop practical solutions.

On 26 September 2025, Minister Akahori attended the UNSC High Level Open Debate on "Artificial Intelligence and International Peace and Security."³¹¹⁹ Minister Akahori reiterated Japan's commitment to facilitate discussions with the international community to bolster AI governance structure, bolstering the institutional effectiveness of the UN and its efforts to realize "safe, secure, and trustworthy AI."

On 1 October 2025, the G7 Foreign Ministers and the High Representative of the European Union released a statement in support of the reimposition of UNSC sanctions and restrictions against Iran due to the government's failure to meet requirements under the Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action (JCPOA).³¹²⁰ This demonstrates the ministers' commitment to bolstering the institutional effectiveness of the UN.

On 8 October 2025, members of the G7 and the Nordic-Baltic 8++ (Belgium, Canada, Denmark, Estonia, European Union, Finland, France, Germany, Iceland, Italy, Japan, Latvia, Lithuania, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Sweden and the United Kingdom) released a joint statement committing to enhance cooperation and advance efforts on disrupting and deterring global shadow fleet activity.³¹²¹ Members further reaffirmed their commitment to upholding international law such as the UN Convention on the Law of the Sea and acting in accordance with International Maritime Organization and International Labour Organization conventions and resolutions.

On 9 October 2025, Minister Fujii attended the G20 Trade and Investment Ministerial Meeting.³¹²² He reiterated the importance of reforming the WTO decision-making process, developing country status and dispute settlement systems.

On 17 October 2025, the G7 Development Ministers convened on the peripheries of the annual World Bank Group and International Monetary Fund meetings in Washington D.C. to identify opportunities for further collaboration within the G7. ³¹²³ The Ministers also underscored the importance of reforms to multilateral institutions focus on institutional performance and outcomes such as "structural realignment, mandate streamlining, and enhanced efficiency."

On 22 October 2025, Australia, Canada, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, Netherlands, New Zealand, South Korea, United Kingdom and United States as a part of the Multilateral Sanctions Monitoring Team issued their second joint statement on the unlawful military cooperation between North Korea and Russia, in violation of UNSC resolutions (UNSCRs).³¹²⁴ The report underscores Japan's commitment to the full implementation of

³¹¹⁹ Senior Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs AKAHORI's Attendance at the United Nations Security Council High Level Open Debate on "Artificial Intelligence and International Peace and Security," Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (Tokyo) 26 September 2025. Access Date: 29 October 2025. https://www.mofa.go.jp/press/release/pressite_000001_01694.html

³¹²⁰ G7 Foreign Ministers Statement on Iran Sanctions Snapback, Global Affairs Canada (Ottawa) 1 October 2025. Access Date: 28 October 2025. <https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2025/10/g7-foreign-ministers-statement-on-iran-sanctions-snapback.html>

³¹²¹ Joint statement: Shadow Fleet Task Force, Global Affairs Canada (Ottawa) 10 October 2025. Access Date: 28 October 2025. <https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2025/10/joint-statement-shadow-fleet-task-force.html>

³¹²² State Minister for Foreign Affairs FUJII's attendance at the G20 Trade and Investment Ministerial Meeting (Results), Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (Tokyo) 11 October 2025. Access Date: 29 October 2025.

³¹²³ G7 Development Ministers' Chair's Summary – Fostering partnerships for economic prosperity, Global Affairs Canada (Ottawa) 21 October 2025. Access Date: 28 October 2025. <https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2025/10/g7-development-ministers-chairs-summary--fostering-partnerships-for-economic-prosperity.html>

³¹²⁴ Joint Statement of the Multilateral Sanctions Monitoring Team (MSMT) on the Report Covering DPRK Cyber and IT Worker Activities, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (Canberra) 22 October 2025. Access Date: 28 October 2025. <https://www.dfat.gov.au/news/media-release/joint-statement-multilateral-sanctions-monitoring-team-msmt-report-covering-dprk-cyber-and-it-worker-activities>

UNSCRs. Further, the report calls on the UNSC to reimplement the Panel of Experts to maintain international security and hold the North Korea accountable in its violation and evasion of UN sanctions.

On 27 October 2025, Foreign Minister Motegi Toshimitsu participated in the 28th ASEAN Plus Three (Japan-China-Republic of Korea) Summit.³¹²⁵ Minister Motegi highlighted the potential for further ASEAN+3 cooperation. He reiterated Japan's commitment to leading and enhancing cooperation on the ASEAN+3 Emergency Rice Reserve (APTERR) initiative, and highlighted the successes of the Japan-led Rapid Financing Facility (RFF) and the Disaster Risk Financing (DRF). Minister Motegi reaffirmed Japan's support for the ASEAN Outlook on the Indo-Pacific (AOIP) and "ASEAN Community Vision 2045."

On 28 October 2025, State Minister for Foreign Affairs Horii Iwao held a meeting with Assistant Secretary General (ASG) for Peacebuilding Support from the UN Elizabeth Spehar where he reiterated the importance for the international community to support UN peacebuilding activities including the Peacebuilding Architecture review and furthering collaboration with the ASG Spehar.³¹²⁶ They discussed opportunities to strengthen Japan's support in peacebuilding efforts and increasing the presence of Japanese representatives at the UN.

On 29 October 2025, Minister Motegi participated in the APEC Ministerial Meeting to strengthen regional collaboration on pertinent issues related to trade and investment, strengthening the institutional effectiveness of APEC.³¹²⁷

On 1 November 2025, APEC Leaders from Australia, Brunei, Canada, Chile, China, Hong Kong, Indonesia, Japan, South Korea, Malaysia, Mexico, New Zealand, Papua New Guinea, Peru, Philippines, Russia, Singapore, Taiwan, Thailand, the United States and Vietnam released the APEC Leaders' Declaration 2025.³¹²⁸ Leaders reiterated their commitment to advancing structural reforms that strengthen innovation, productivity and economic vitality.

On 4 November 2025, Australia, Canada, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, Netherlands, New Zealand, Republic of Korea, United Kingdom and United States issued a joint statement on the Democratic People Republic of Korea's cyber and information technology activities that violate UNSCRs.³¹²⁹ The report underscores Germany's commitment to the full implementation of UNSCRs. Further, the report called on the UNSC to re-establish the Panel of Experts to bolster the institutional effectiveness of the UN.

Japan has fully complied with its commitment to work for a reinvigorated and strengthened multilateral system, rooted in the purposes and principles of the UN Charter and international law. Japan has taken strong action to reform an international organization in its co-chairing of the WPS Focal Points Network. Further, it has taken action in facilitating dialogue and reaffirming its commitment to promoting the institutional effectiveness and representativeness of international organizations such as the UN, the G7, the WTO and the IAEA.

³¹²⁵ The 28th ASEAN Plus Three (Japan-China-Republic of Korea) Summit, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (Tokyo) 27 October 2025. Access Date: 29 October 2025. https://www.mofa.go.jp/a_o/rp/pageite_000001_01329.html

³¹²⁶ Courtesy Call on State Minister for Foreign Affairs HORII by Ms. Spehar, Assistant Secretary General (ASG) for Peacebuilding Support, the United Nations, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (Tokyo) 28 October 2025. Access Date: 29 October 2025. https://www.mofa.go.jp/press/release/pressite_000001_01774.html

³¹²⁷ Foreign Minister MOTEGI's Attendance at the APEC Ministerial Meeting, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (Tokyo) 28 October 2025. Access Date: 29 October 2025. https://www.mofa.go.jp/press/release/pressite_000001_01771.html; Prime Minister TAKAICHI and Foreign Minister MOTEGI Attend APEC Economic Leaders' Meeting and Ministerial Meetings, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (Tokyo) 28 October 2025. Access Date: 29 October 2025. https://www.mofa.go.jp/ecm/apec/pageite_000001_01327.html

³¹²⁸ 2025年亚太经合组织领导人庆州宣言（摘要），中华人民共和国常驻联合国代表团（Beijing）1 November 2025. Translation provided by Google Translate. Access Date: 7 November 2025. https://un.china-mission.gov.cn/zgyw/202511/t20251101_11745424.htm

³¹²⁹ Multilateral Sanctions Monitoring Team (MSMT): Joint Statement on the Report Covering DPRK Cyber and IT Worker Activities, Federal Foreign Office (Brussels) 4 November 2025. Access Date: 7 November 2025. <https://www.auswaertiges-amt.de/en/newsroom/news/2741814-2741814>

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Korea has partially complied with its commitment to work for a reinvigorated and strengthened multilateral system, rooted in the purposes and principles of the United Nations Charter and international law, with renewed institutions and a reformed governance that is more representative, effective, transparent and accountable, reflecting the social, economic and political realities of the 21st century.

On 26 November 2024, Minister of Foreign Affairs Cho Tae-yul attended the Indo-Pacific Outreach Session of the Second G7 Foreign Ministers' Meeting.³¹³⁰ The meeting aimed to provide a platform for dialogue on ways to strengthen Korea-G7 cooperation in foreign policy issues and maintaining rules-based international order. This demonstrates Korea's commitment to bolstering the institutional effectiveness of the G7.

On 6 December 2024, Korea hosted the final Replenishment Meeting of the International Development Association in Seoul, bringing together donor countries to finalize contributions and strategic directions for the next funding cycle.³¹³¹ By convening this high-level event, Korea demonstrated its leadership in fostering transparent and representative governance processes within the World Bank system, with an emphasis on inclusion and accountability in institutional decision-making.

On 24 January 2025, Minister of Trade Inkyo Cheong participated in the informal WTO trade ministers' meeting, where he emphasized Korea's commitment to reforming the WTO so that it is able to address rising challenges that climate change and artificial intelligence pose to trade.³¹³²

On 5 February 2025, Vice Minister of Foreign Affairs Kim Hong Kyun held a meeting with the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) Committee.³¹³³ Minister Kim reaffirmed Korea's commitment to "ensuring stable governance" and strengthening partnerships with ASEAN. He also reaffirmed Korea's commitment to implementing cooperation initiatives in alignment with ASEAN principles and priorities.

On 22 February 2025, Minister Cho attended the G20 Foreign Ministers' Meeting in Rio de Janeiro.³¹³⁴ The meeting focused on strengthening multilateral cooperation and institutional reform, culminating in a Call to Action on Global Governance Reform. Korea endorsed reforms to the United Nations, the World Trade Organization and International Financial Institutions to make them more representative, effective and transparent. Minister Cho reaffirmed Korea's commitment to ensuring multilateral institutions respond equitably to global challenges and give greater voice to developing countries.

On 26 February 2025, Vice Minister of Foreign Affairs Kang Insun attended the High-Level Segment of the 58th Session of United Nations Human Rights Council (UNHRC).³¹³⁵ Minister Kang presented Korea's priorities as a member of the UNHRC including supporting UN human rights mechanisms and capacity

³¹³⁰ Minister Cho Tae-yul Attends Second Foreign Ministers' Meeting of Group of Seven (G7), Ministry of Foreign Affairs (Seoul) 27 November 2024. Access Date: 15 June 2025. https://www.mofa.go.kr/eng/brd/m_5676/view.do?seq=322721&page=16

³¹³¹ IDA21 Final Replenishment Meeting, The World Bank (Seoul) 6 December 2024. Access Date: 30 April 2025. <https://www.worldbank.org/en/events/2024/11/01/ida21-final-replenishment-meeting-south-korea#1>

³¹³² Trade Minister Cheong discusses key trade issues with major economies at WEF 2025 in Davos, KOREA.net (Seoul) 31 January 2025. Access Date: 15 July 2025. <https://www.korea.net/Government/Briefing-Room/Press-Releases/view?articleId=7809&type=O&insttCode=A110412>

³¹³³ Vice Minister Kim Hong Kyun Holds Luncheon Meeting with ASEAN Committee in Seoul - ASEAN Countries Reaffirm Confidence in Korea's Stability and Discuss Future ASEAN-Korea Cooperation, Ministry of Foreign Affairs (Seoul) 5 February 2025. Access Date: 15 June 2025. https://www.mofa.go.kr/eng/brd/m_5676/view.do?seq=322830&page=13

³¹³⁴ Statement by H.E. Cho Tae-yul Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Korea G20 Foreign Ministers' Meeting, Ministry of Foreign Affairs (Seoul) 24 February 2025. Access Date: 30 April 2025. https://www.mofa.go.kr/eng/brd/m_5689/view.do?seq=319663

³¹³⁵ Vice Minister of Foreign Affairs Kang Insun Attends High-Level Segment of 58th Session of Human Rights Council, Ministry of Foreign Affairs (Seoul) 26 February 2025. Access Date: 15 June 2025. https://www.mofa.go.kr/eng/brd/m_5676/view.do?seq=322754&page=10

building efforts in developing countries. This demonstrates Korea's commitment to bolstering the institutional effectiveness of the UNHRC.

On 31 March 2025, Korea released a joint statement with Japan and China following the 13th Economic and Trade Ministers' Meeting, pledging support for an inclusive and transparent WTO, through advancing efforts for comprehensive WTO reform.³¹³⁶

On 14 May 2025, Deputy Director-General for International Economic Affairs Lee Jiyeon represented Korea at the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) Second Senior Officials' Meeting.³¹³⁷ The meeting aimed to provide a platform for APEC member economies to discuss areas for enhanced regional collaboration.

On 16 May 2025, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs attended the 29th ASEAN-Korea Dialogue.³¹³⁸ Deputy Minister for Political Affairs Chung Byung-won underscored the importance of strengthened relationship between ASEAN and Korea in key focus areas such as digital transformation and the environment. In addition, participants discussed various regional and global security challenges. The meeting aimed to facilitate dialogue and align on key focus areas to bolster the institutional effectiveness of ASEAN.

On 19 May 2025, under Minister Cheong, the 2025 Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) Ministers of Trade released a joint statement where they emphasized the importance of comprehensively reforming the WTO to reflect contemporary challenges and landscapes.³¹³⁹

On 21 May 2025, Korea attended the high-level plenary meeting organized by the UN General Assembly (UNGA) on the human rights situation in North Korea.³¹⁴⁰ Ambassador Hwang Joonkook called on UN member states to uphold the principle of non-refoulement. The meeting aimed to bolster the institutional effectiveness of the UNGA by facilitating dialogue between member states.

On 26 May 2025, Minister Kang chaired the working-level coordination meeting for the 2025 APEC Economic Leaders' Meeting.³¹⁴¹ The meeting provided an opportunity for participants from various ministries, government agencies and economic organizations to discuss follow-up implementation measures to bolster the operational capacity across key issue areas.

On 27 May 2025, Vice Minister for Strategy and Intelligence at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs Cho Koo-rae reaffirmed Korea's commitment to strengthening their partnership with the Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe (OSCE) in countering threats to transnational security during the 3rd Inter-Regional Conference on the Impact of Emerging Technologies.³¹⁴²

On 29 May 2025, Australia, Canada, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, Netherlands, New Zealand, South Korea, the United Kingdom and the United States as a part of the Multilateral Sanctions Monitoring Team issued a joint statement on unlawful military cooperation between North Korea and Russia, in violation of United

³¹³⁶ Joint Media Statement of the Thirteenth Economic and Trade Ministers' Meeting between the Republic of Korea, Japan and the People's Republic of China, KOREA.net (Seoul) 31 March 2025. Access Date: 15 July 2025.

³¹³⁷ APEC Second Senior Officials' Meeting (SOM2) held in Jeju again in 20 Years, Ministry of Foreign Affairs (Seoul) 14 May 2025. Access Date: 15 June 2025. https://www.mofa.go.kr/eng/brd/m_5676/view.do?seq=322812&page=3

³¹³⁸ Outcome of 29th ASEAN-ROK Dialogue (May 15-16, Thailand), Ministry of Foreign Affairs (Seoul) 16 May 2025. Access Date: 15 June 2025. https://www.mofa.go.kr/eng/brd/m_5676/view.do?seq=322838&page=3

³¹³⁹ 2025 APEC Ministers Responsible for Trade Joint Statement, KOREA.net (Seoul) 19 May 2025. Access Date: 15 July 2025. <https://www.korea.net/Government/Briefing-Room/Press-Releases/view?articleId=8027&type=O&insttCode=A110412>

³¹⁴⁰ First-Ever High-Level Plenary Meeting Organized by UN General Assembly to Discuss Human Rights Situation in DPRK, Ministry of Foreign Affairs (Seoul) 21 May 2025. Access Date: 15 June 2025. https://www.mofa.go.kr/eng/brd/m_5676/view.do?seq=322841&page=2

³¹⁴¹ Working-Level Coordination Meeting for 2025 APEC Economic Leaders' Meeting, Ministry of Foreign Affairs (Seoul) 26 May 2025. Access Date: 15 June 2025. https://www.mofa.go.kr/eng/brd/m_5676/view.do?seq=322870&page=2

³¹⁴² 3rd Inter-Regional Conference on Impact of Emerging Technologies Held - Expanding global dialogue on international cooperation in emerging security technologies in commemoration of the 50th anniversary of the Helsinki Final Act, Ministry of Foreign Affairs (Seoul) 27 May 2025. Access Date: 15 June 2025. https://www.mofa.go.kr/eng/brd/m_5676/view.do?seq=322854&page=1

Security Council resolutions.³¹⁴³ The multilateral mechanism aims to monitor and report on sanction measures implemented by the United Nations. This initiative underscores ongoing to advancing the UN's institutional effectiveness.

On 30 May 2025, Ambassador and Non-permanent Representative of the Republic of Korea to the Caribbean Community Kim Jinhae met with the Secretary General of the Association of Caribbean States (ACS), Noemí Espinoza Madrid where they discussed strengthening collaboration between Korea and the ACS for climate change and maritime issues.³¹⁴⁴

On 5 June 2025, Special Representative for the Indo-Pacific at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs Eui-hae Cecilia Chung attended the 2025 Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) Ministerial Council Meeting (MCM), where she participated in a series of meetings that emphasized multilateralism and increasing coordination with other international organizations.³¹⁴⁵

On 11 June 2025, Deputy Minister for Political Affairs Chung Byung-won attended a series of ASEAN Senior Officials' Meetings, where he emphasized Korea's ongoing commitment towards working with ASEAN to foster peace and security within the region.³¹⁴⁶

On 17 June 2025, the Government of the Republic of Korea deposited its instrument of ratification of the Hague Convention on Protection of Children and Co-operation in Respect of Intercountry Adoption, designating the Ministry of Health and Welfare as the Central Authority and committing to convention-compliant procedures from 1 October 2025.³¹⁴⁷

On 19 June 2025, President Lee Jae-myung met with European Union leaders (including Presidents of the European Commission and European Council) at the G7 Summit in Canada, where discussions highlighted cooperation on United Nations reform, particularly Security Council modernizations, and stronger multilateral roles for the G7, G20 and WTO.³¹⁴⁸

On 3 July 2025, the Republic of Korea's Ministry of Foreign Affairs, in cooperation with the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), launched the Relief, Employment and Vital Infrastructure for the Vulnerable in Emergencies (REVIVE initiative).³¹⁴⁹ Korea contributed USD64 million to support early recovery and resilient infrastructure in crisis-affected countries such as Afghanistan, Gaza, Syria, Ukraine and the Democratic Republic of Congo, showing Korea's ongoing commitment towards multilateral organizations.

On 4 July 2025, Vice Minister of Foreign Affairs Kim Jina represented Korea at the Fourth International Conference on Financing and Development in Seville, co-hosted by the UN in Spain, underscoring Korea's

³¹⁴³ Joint Statement of the Multilateral Sanctions Monitoring Team (MSMT) on the first report covering DPRK-Russia Military Cooperation, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (Canberra) 30 March 2025. Access Date: 6 June 2025.

<https://www.dfat.gov.au/news/media-release/joint-statement-multilateral-sanctions-monitoring-team-msmt-first-report-covering-dprk-russia-military-cooperation>

³¹⁴⁴ Non-permanent Representative of Republic of Korea to CARICOM Meets with ACS Secretary General, Ministry of Foreign Affairs (Seoul) 30 May 2025. Access Date: 24 August 2025.

https://www.mofa.go.kr/eng/brd/m_5676/view.do?seq=322869&page=7

³¹⁴⁵ Korea's Special Representative for Indo-Pacific Participates in OECD Ministerial Council Meeting, Ministry of Foreign Affairs (Seoul) 5 June 2025. Access Date: 24 August 2025. https://www.mofa.go.kr/eng/brd/m_5676/view.do?seq=322883&page=7

³¹⁴⁶ Deputy Minister for Political Affairs Attends ASEAN Senior Officials' Meetings, Ministry of Foreign Affairs (Seoul) 11 June 2025. Access Date: 24 August 2025. https://www.mofa.go.kr/eng/brd/m_5676/view.do?seq=322872&page=7

³¹⁴⁷ Republic of Korea Deposits Instrument of Ratification for Hague Inter-country Adoption Convention, Ministry of Foreign Affairs (Seoul) 17 June 2025. Access Date: 14 August 2025. https://www.mofa.go.kr/eng/brd/m_5676/view.do?seq=322873

³¹⁴⁸ President Lee Jae-myung's G7 Debut and the Recalibration of South Korean Foreign Policy, The Diplomat (Washington D.C.) 21 June 2025. Access Date: 14 August. <https://thediplomat.com/2025/06/president-lee-jae-myungs-g7-debut-and-the-recalibration-of-south-korean-foreign-policy/>

³¹⁴⁹ UNDP and Republic of Korea Launch Global Early Recovery Initiative for Crisis-Hit Communities, United Nations Development Programme (New York) 3 July 2025. Access Date: 14 August 2025. <https://www.undp.org/news/undp-and-republic-korea-launch-global-early-recovery-initiative-crisis-hit-communities>

support for updating the global financing-for-development architecture to better mobilize and allocate development finance.³¹⁵⁰

On 4 July 2025, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Korea announced expanded humanitarian assistance in collaboration with the UNDP, UNICEF and WFP, allocating USD65 million to the Middle East, USD40 million to Asia and USD22 million to Africa to enhance joint response capacity.³¹⁵¹

On 7 July 2025, the United Nations Human Rights Council adopted a Republic of Korea-led resolution on “New and Emerging Digital Technologies and Human Rights”.³¹⁵² The measure strengthens human rights oversight of digital governance across UN mechanisms, promoting transparency and accountability in how institutions use new technologies.

On 7 July 2025, Vice Minister of Foreign Affairs Kim Jina met with Deputy Director General for Management and Reform of the International Organization for Migration (IOM) Lee Sung-Ah and stated the Korean government’s recognition of IOM’s importance, encouraging sustained efforts to bolster the institutional effectiveness of the organization.³¹⁵³

On 8 July 2025, the Government of Korea released its national position on the application of international law in cyberspace as part of the United Nations Open-ended Working Group on security of and in the use of information and communications technologies, clarifying how existing international rules govern state behaviour online.³¹⁵⁴ By setting out state practice, Korea contributed to the institutionalization of cyber norms across the UN.

On 10 July 2025, Vice Minister of Foreign Affairs Park Yoonjoo met with other ASEAN Ministers and discussed joining efforts to address regional challenges related to security and disaster relief.³¹⁵⁵ The parties also agreed to bolster the “ASEAN-ROK Comprehensive Strategic Partnership,” which aligns with Korea’s ongoing commitment towards strengthening multilateralism.

On 11 July 2025, Vice Minister Park attended the 32nd ASEAN Regional Forum (ARF) Foreign Ministers’ Meeting, where he emphasized the need for Russia and North Korea to meet UNSC resolutions and international law over their ongoing military partnership.³¹⁵⁶

³¹⁵⁰ Vice Minister of Foreign Affairs Kim Jina Attends 4th International Conference on Financing for Development in Seville, Ministry of Foreign Affairs (Seoul) 4 July 2025. Access Date: 14 August 2025.

https://www.mofa.go.kr/eng/brd/m_5674/view.do?seq=321153

³¹⁵¹ Republic of Korea Strengthens Cooperation with the United Nations on Response to Global Humanitarian Crisis, Ministry of Foreign Affairs (Seoul) 4 July 2025. Access Date: 14 August 2025.

https://www.mofa.go.kr/eng/brd/m_5674/view.do?seq=321143

³¹⁵² UN Human Rights Council Adopts ROK-led Resolution on “New and Emerging Digital Technologies and Human Rights” during its 59th Session, Ministry of Foreign Affairs (Seoul) 7 July 2025. Access Date: 14 August 2025.

https://www.mofa.go.kr/eng/brd/m_5676/view.do?seq=322896

³¹⁵³ Vice Minister Kim Jina Meets with Deputy Director General for Management and Reform of International Organization for Migration (IOM), Ministry of Foreign Affairs (Seoul) 7 July 2025. Access Date: 24 August 2025.

https://www.mofa.go.kr/eng/brd/m_5676/view.do?seq=322898&page=4

³¹⁵⁴ Government of Republic of Korea Announces its Position on the Application of International Law in Cyberspace, Ministry of Foreign Affairs (Seoul) 8 July 2025. Access Date: 14 August 2025.

https://www.mofa.go.kr/eng/brd/m_5674/view.do?seq=321145

³¹⁵⁵ Outcome of 28th ASEAN-ROK Foreign Ministers’ Meeting (July 10, Malaysia), Ministry of Foreign Affairs Republic of Korea (Seoul) 10 July 2025. Access Date: 24 August 2025. https://www.mofa.go.kr/eng/brd/m_5676/view.do?seq=322912&page=3

³¹⁵⁶ Outcome of 32nd ASEAN Regional Forum (ARF) Foreign Ministers’ Meeting, Ministry of Foreign Affairs Republic of Korea (Seoul) 11 July 2025. Access Date: 24 August 2025. https://www.mofa.go.kr/eng/brd/m_5676/view.do?seq=322911&page=3

On 23 July 2025, Korea scheduled the 'Third APEC Senior Officials' Meeting, which will be focused on finalizing pledges and collective action within the four major APEC committees.³¹⁵⁷ Korea's efforts for the APEC 2025 showcase Korea's commitment towards international dialogue and cooperation.

On 28 August 2025, the Republic of Korea provided USD30 million in humanitarian assistance to the Gaza region through the United Nations Development Programme, United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund and the World Food programme to deliver emergency food, health and shelter support to over half a million individuals affected by military conflict in the region.³¹⁵⁸ This coordinate multilateral effort reflects Korea's commitment to institutional accountability and effectiveness through transparent cooperation with UN agencies.

On 2 September 2025, Korea assumed the UNSC Presidency and committed to leading the council under the principles of "efficiency, transparency and inclusiveness" and in align with the three pillars of the UN: peace, development.³¹⁵⁹

On 4 September 2025, Korea contributed USD7 million to the World Food Programme (WFP) under the joint "Responding with Emergency Assistance for Conflict-affected Households" (REACH) project.³¹⁶⁰ The funding provides cash transfers to nearly 90,000 people and nutrition support to 30,000 malnourished children and women in Darfur, Kordofan and Khartoum regions of Sudan, where famine has been confirmed. This initiative bolsters the institutional effectiveness of the WFP.

On 5 September 2025, Korea and the WFP launched the Responding with Emergency Assistance for Conflict-affected Households project in Myanmar, supported by a USD10 million contribution from Korea.³¹⁶¹ The project provides emergency food and cash assistance to 300,000 conflict-affected people and nutrition support to 24,000 women and children. This initiative demonstrates Korea's role in reinforcing multilateral institutional accountability and effectiveness through its partnership with the WFP.

On 9 September 2025, Korea hosted an open debate on future peace operations to provide an opportunity for UN member states to provide their perspectives and engage in broad consultations on avenue for reforming UN peace operations.³¹⁶²

On 23 September 2025, President Lee Jae Myung showed Korea's support towards the UN80 initiative, called for reform of the UN and its organizations including the UNSC, proposing the increase in representation at the UNSC through the increase of non-representative seats.³¹⁶³

³¹⁵⁷ Final Spurt Toward APEC Economic Leaders' Meeting 2025, Ministry of Foreign Affairs Republic of Korea (Seoul) 23 July 2025. Access Date: 24 August 2025. https://www.mofa.go.kr/eng/brd/m_5676/view.do?seq=322918&page=2

³¹⁵⁸ Republic of Korea Provides USD 30 Million in Humanitarian Support to the Gaza Strip through UNDP, UNICEF and WFP in Coordination with the Palestinian Government, World Food Programme (Ramallah) 28 August 2025. Access Date: 9 October 2025. <https://www.wfp.org/news/republic-korea-provides-usd-30-million-humanitarian-support-gaza-strip-through-undp-unicef-and>

³¹⁵⁹ Korea assumes UNSC presidency, unveils signature event on AI, Korea JoongAng Daily (Seoul) 3 September 2025. Access Date: 29 October 2025. <https://koreajoongangdaily.joins.com/news/2025-09-03/national/diplomacy/Korea-assumes-UNSC-presidency-unveils-signature-event-on-AI/2390076>

³¹⁶⁰ WFP welcomes a new contribution from the Republic of Korea to save lives in Sudan, World Food Programme (Nairobi) 4 September 2025. Access Date: 9 October 2025. <https://www.wfp.org/news/wfp-welcomes-new-contribution-republic-korea-save-lives-sudan>

³¹⁶¹ Republic of Korea and WFP launch 'REACH' project to tackle record levels of hunger in Myanmar, World Food Programme (Yangon) 5 September 2025. Access Date: 9 October 2025. <https://www.wfp.org/news/republic-korea-and-wfp-launch-reach-project-tackle-record-levels-hunger-myanmar>

³¹⁶² Republic of Korea Demonstrates Leadership in International Peace and Security as Security Council President for September, Ministry of Foreign Affairs Republic of Korea (Seoul) 1 October 2025. Access Date: 29 October 2025. https://www.mofa.go.kr/eng/brd/m_5676/view.do?seq=323000

³¹⁶³ Republic of Korea, His Excellency Jae Myung Lee President, United Nations (New York) 23 September 2025. Access Date: 20 October 2025. <https://gadebate.un.org/en/80/republic-korea>

On 3 October 2025, Korea and Mexico reaffirmed their commitment to cooperation at the 2025 Busan Global Partnership Forum held in Korea, showing Korea's commitment towards multilateralism.³¹⁶⁴

On 16 October 2025, Deputy Minister for Multilateral and Global Affairs Kweon Ki-hwan and Minister of Foreign Affairs Cho Hyun met with UN High Commissioner for Refugees Filippo Grandi.³¹⁶⁵ The Ministers stated Korea's interest in expanding opportunities for Korean nations within the UNHCR to improve its institutional representativeness.

On 20 October 2025, Vice Minister of Foreign Affairs Kim met with UN Under-Secretary-General and Acting Administrator of the UNDP Haoliang Xu to discuss ways to advance cooperation between Korea and the UNDP.³¹⁶⁶ Vice Minister Kim reiterated Korea's commitment to the Korea-UNDP R.E.V.I.V.E initiative and the implementation of its management measures to respond to global humanitarian crises.

On 22 October 2025, Australia, Canada, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, Netherlands, New Zealand, South Korea, United Kingdom and United States as a part of the Multilateral Sanctions Monitoring Team issued their second joint statement on the unlawful military cooperation between North Korea and Russia, in violation of UNSC resolutions (UNSCRs).³¹⁶⁷ The report underscores Korea's commitment to the full implementation of UNSCRs. Further, the report calls on the UNSC to reimplement the Panel of Experts to maintain international security and hold the North Korea accountable in its violation and evasion of UN sanctions.

On 1 November 2025, APEC Leaders from Australia, Brunei, Canada, Chile, China, Hong Kong, Indonesia, Japan, South Korea, Malaysia, Mexico, New Zealand, Papua New Guinea, Peru, Philippines, Russia, Singapore, Taiwan, Thailand, the United States and Vietnam released the APEC Leaders' Declaration 2025.³¹⁶⁸ Leaders reiterated their commitment to advancing structural reforms that strengthen innovation, productivity and economic vitality.

On 4 November 2025, Australia, Canada, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, Netherlands, New Zealand, Republic of Korea, United Kingdom and United States issued a joint statement on the Democratic People Republic of Korea's cyber and information technology activities that violate UNSCRs.³¹⁶⁹ The report underscores Germany's commitment to the full implementation of UNSCRs. Further, the report called on the UNSC to re-establish the Panel of Experts to bolster the institutional effectiveness of the UN.

Korea has partially complied with its commitment to work for a reinvigorated and strengthened multilateral system, rooted in the purposes and principles of the UN Charter and international law. Korea has taken moderate action through its financial leadership, high-level diplomatic engagement and public endorsement of institutional reform agendas across the G20, G7, APEC, ASEAN and the UN. Korea has clearly demonstrated

³¹⁶⁴ Mexico's commitment towards multilateralism, Government of Mexico (Mexico City) 3 October 2025. Access Date: 20 October 2025. <https://www.gob.mx/sre/prensa/mexico-and-south-korea-strengthen-strategic-partnership-in-international-cooperation?idiom=en>

³¹⁶⁵ Deputy Minister Kweon Ki-hwan Meets with UN High Commissioner for Refugees, Ministry of Foreign Affairs Republic of Korea (Seoul) 16 October 2025. Access Date: 29 October 2025. https://www.mofa.go.kr/eng/brd/m_5676/view.do?seq=323005&page=1

³¹⁶⁶ Vice Foreign Minister Kim Jina Meets with UNDP Acting Administrator to Explore Ways to Deepen Korea-UNDP Cooperation, Including on Responses to Global Humanitarian Crises, Ministry of Foreign Affairs Republic of Korea (Seoul) 20 October 2025. Access Date: 29 October 2025. https://www.mofa.go.kr/eng/brd/m_5676/view.do?seq=322994&page=1

³¹⁶⁷ Joint Statement of the Multilateral Sanctions Monitoring Team (MSMT) on the Report Covering DPRK Cyber and IT Worker Activities, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (Canberra) 22 October 2025. Access Date: 28 October 2025. <https://www.dfat.gov.au/news/media-release/joint-statement-multilateral-sanctions-monitoring-team-msmt-report-covering-dprk-cyber-and-it-worker-activities>

³¹⁶⁸ 2025年亚太经合组织领导人庆州宣言（摘要），中华人民共和国常驻联合国代表团 (Beijing) 1 November 2025. Translation provided by Google Translate. Access Date: 7 November 2025. https://un.china-mission.gov.cn/zgyw/202511/t20251101_11745424.htm

³¹⁶⁹ Multilateral Sanctions Monitoring Team (MSMT): Joint Statement on the Report Covering DPRK Cyber and IT Worker Activities, Federal Foreign Office (Brussels) 4 November 2025. Access Date: 7 November 2025. <https://www.auswaertiges-amt.de/en/newsroom/news/2741814-2741814>

its support for multilateralism that is representative, effective and transparent and accountable. However, Korea has not taken strong action to reform a UN body or another international organization.

Thus, Korea receives a score of 0.

Analyst: Beisen (Sam) Gao

Mexico: 0

Mexico has partially complied with its commitment to work for a reinvigorated and strengthened multilateral system, rooted in the purposes and principles of the United Nations Charter and international law, with renewed institutions and a reformed governance that is more representative, effective, transparent and accountable, reflecting the social, economic and political realities of the 21st century.

On 28 November 2024, Mexico chaired the General Conference of the Agency for the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons in Latin America and the Caribbean (OPANAL).³¹⁷⁰ Mexico reiterated its commitment to upholding the United Nations Charter and the key principles underlying international humanitarian law. This demonstrates Mexico's commitment to bolstering the institutional representativeness of OPANAL through facilitating dialogue between OPANAL representatives, international organizations and civil society participants. In addition to its commitment to bolstering the institutional effectiveness of OPANAL.

On 9 December 2024, the Mexican delegation consisting of Foreign Ministry Legal Advisor Pablo Arrocha, Mexico's Ambassador to the Netherlands Carmen Moreno, Deputy Chief of Mission at the embassy Alfonso Ascencio and Legal Advisor at the embassy Patricia Pérez requested an advisory opinion on States' climate change obligations during a hearing held by the International Court of Justice (ICJ).³¹⁷¹ The Mexican delegation advocated for the ICJ to strengthen the international legal framework by incorporating a human rights and gendered lens for tackling the climate crisis. Mexico also stated the importance of accountability mechanisms when States fail to meet obligations. This demonstrates Mexico's commitment to bolstering the institutional effectiveness and transparency and accountability of the ICJ.

On 21 February 2025, Undersecretary María Teresa Mercado reaffirmed its commitment to strengthening multilateralism and underscored diplomacy and international law as the key principles of global security at the G20 Foreign Ministers' Meeting.³¹⁷²

On 31 March 2025, Mexico and France welcomed Armenia's decision to joining their effort in restricting the veto powers of the UN Security Council (UNSC).³¹⁷³ This declaration reflects Mexico's commitment to reforming the UNSC and promote effective multilateralism.

On 9 April 2025, officials from Mexican government agencies and UN representatives developed a new Mexico Sustainable Development Cooperation Framework 2026-2031.³¹⁷⁴ The framework includes four strategic areas:

³¹⁷⁰ Mexico chairs OPANAL General Conference, Secretaría de Relaciones Exteriores (Mexico City) 28 November 2024. Access Date: 15 June 2025. <https://www.gob.mx/sre/prensa/mexico-chairs-opanal-general-conference?idiom=en>

³¹⁷¹ Mexico calls on ICJ to establish clear guidelines for States' climate change obligations, Secretaría de Relaciones Exteriores (Mexico City) 9 December 2024. Access Date: 15 June 2025. <https://www.gob.mx/sre/prensa/mexico-calls-on-icj-to-establish-clear-guidelines-for-states-climate-emergency-obligations?idiom=en>

³¹⁷² Mexico Reaffirms Commitment to Strengthening Multilateralism at G20 Foreign Ministers' Meeting, Secretaría de Relaciones Exteriores (Mexico City) 21 February 2025. Access Date: 15 June 2025. <https://www.gob.mx/sre/prensa/mexico-reaffirms-commitment-to-strengthening-multilateralism-at-g20-foreign-ministers-meeting?idiom=en>

³¹⁷³ UN – Armenia signs on to French-Mexican initiative to regulate veto powers at the Security Council (31 March 2025), Ministère de l'Europe et des Affaires étrangères (Paris) 31 March 2025. Access Date: 20 May 2025. <https://www.diplomatie.gouv.fr/en/french-foreign-policy/france-and-the-united-nations/news-and-events/article/un-armenia-signs-on-to-french-mexican-initiative-to-regulate-veto-powers-at-the>

³¹⁷⁴ Technical Teams from Mexican Government Agencies and UN Mexico Work on New 2026-2031 Cooperation Framework, Secretaría de Relaciones Exteriores (Mexico City) 9 April 2025. Access Date: 15 June 2025. <https://www.gob.mx/sre/prensa/technical-teams-from-mexican-government-agencies-and-un-mexico-work-on-new-2026-2031-cooperation-framework?idiom=en>

1) Governance and Rule of Law, 2) Social Inclusion and Substantive Equality, 3) Inclusive and Resilient Economy and 4) Environment and Climate Change. This collaboration demonstrates Mexico's commitment to strengthening strategic alliances, promoting multilateralism and bolstering the UN's institutional effectiveness.

On 10 April 2025, Undersecretary for Multilateral Affairs and Human Rights Enrique Ochoa and State Secretary for Foreign Affairs of Norway Andreas Motzfeldt Kravik released a joint statement which included the two countries' support for the ongoing efforts to reform the UN.³¹⁷⁵ The two countries also pledged their full cooperation and advocacy to ensure the reforms are implemented under the UN80 initiative.

On 13 May 2025, Foreign Affairs Secretary Juan Ramón de la Fuente called for an evaluation of the progress on UN reforms, to advance reform efforts which will allow the UN to maintain its critical role in the international system.³¹⁷⁶

On 30 May 2025, Undersecretary for Multilateral Affairs and Human Rights Enrique Ochoa met with the UN Office at Nairobi Director-General Zainab Bangura to discuss strengthening operations at the African UN headquarters during the Second Session of the UN-Habitat Assembly in Nairobi.³¹⁷⁷ This demonstrates Mexico's commitment to bolstering the institutional effectiveness of the UN.

On 9 July 2025, Mexico reiterated its commitment to upholding human rights mechanisms by cooperating with the UN Human Rights Council, bolstering international law and UN systems.³¹⁷⁸

On 11 July 2025, Mexico maintained its pledge to the Global Partnership to End Violence Against Children by hosting a regional meeting and advancing policies to eliminate violence against children by 2030.³¹⁷⁹ In collaboration with the Executive Secretariat of the National System for the Protection of Children and Adolescents, the UN and UNICEF, Mexico highlighted progress made since the Partnership's launch in Bogotá in November 2024, showing its commitment towards multilateralism.

On 18 July 2025, Secretary De la Fuente emphasized the need for UN reform on the basis of representation and effectiveness at the Multi-Stakeholder Local Dialogue Meeting.³¹⁸⁰ In the meeting, he also discussed Mexico's ongoing cooperation with the UN for sustainable development through the establishment of a 2026-2030 Cooperation Framework for Sustainable Development, which aligns with Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), such as poverty reduction.³¹⁸¹

³¹⁷⁵ México y Noruega promueven coalición para defender la cooperación multilateral, Gobierno México (Mexico City) 10 April 2025. Access Date: 15 July 2025. <https://www.gob.mx/sre/prensa/mexico-and-norway-promote-coalition-to-defend-multilateral-cooperation>

³¹⁷⁶ Secretario de la Fuente insta a fortalecer el diálogo y la cooperación internacional en la IV Reunión Ministerial China-CELAC, Gobierno México (Mexico City) 13 May 2025. Access Date: 15 July 2025. <https://www.gob.mx/sre/prensa/secretary-de-la-fuente-urges-stronger-dialogue-and-international-cooperation-at-iv-china-celac-ministerial-meeting?idiom=en>

³¹⁷⁷ Mexico Chairs Resumed Second Session of UN-Habitat Assembly in Nairobi, Secretaría de Relaciones Exteriores (Mexico City) 30 May 2025. Access Date: 15 June 2025. <https://www.gob.mx/sre/prensa/mexico-chairs-resumed-second-session-of-un-habitat-assembly-in-nairobi?idiom=en>

³¹⁷⁸ Mexico Concludes Participation in 59th Session of UN Human Rights Council, Government of Mexico (Mexico City) 9 July 2025. Access Date: 24 August 2025. <https://www.gob.mx/sre/prensa/mexico-concludes-participation-in-59th-session-of-un-human-rights-council?idiom=en>

³¹⁷⁹ Mexico Reaffirms Commitment to Global Partnership to End Violence Against Children, Gobierno México (Mexico City) 11 July 2025. Access Date: 14 August 2025. <https://www.gob.mx/sre/prensa/mexico-reaffirms-commitment-to-global-partnership-to-end-violence-against-children>

³¹⁸⁰ Foreign Secretary De la Fuente Proposes Reform of Multilateral System and United Nations, Government of Mexico (Mexico City) 18 July 2025. Access Date: 24 August 2025. <https://www.gob.mx/sre/prensa/foreign-secretary-de-la-fuente-proposes-reform-of-multilateral-system-and-united-nations?idiom=en>

³¹⁸¹ Local Dialogue Held on Building the UN Cooperation Framework in Mexico and Its Contribution to Sustainable Development, Government of Mexico (Mexico City) 18 July 2025. Access Date: 24 August 2025. <https://www.gob.mx/sre/prensa/local-dialogue-held-on-building-the-un-cooperation-framework-in-mexico-and-its-contribution-to-sustainable-development?idiom=en>

On 28 July 2025, Mexico, Canada and Qatar co-chaired the working group, “Narrative for Peace,” during the UN “High-level International Conference for the Peaceful Settlement of the Question of Palestine and the Implementation of the Two-State Solution.”³¹⁸² The high-level plenary meeting and working groups facilitated discussions and consensus-building on concrete steps for international engagement and humanitarian action. This demonstrates Mexico’s commitment to bolstering the institutional effectiveness of the UN.

On 15 August 2025, Member States of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC) who participated in the XVI Regional Conference on Women in Latin America and the Caribbean (organized by the Mexico) approved the Tlatelolco Commitment.³¹⁸³ The Commitment accelerates measures that promote gender equality in labour markets. This demonstrates Mexico’s commitment to advancing the institutional effectiveness of UN Women.

On 3 October 2025, Mexico and South Korea reaffirmed their commitment to cooperation at the 2025 Busan Global Partnership Forum held in South Korea, showing Mexico’s commitment towards multilateralism.³¹⁸⁴

On 8 October 2025, the Mexican Ministry of Foreign Affairs hosted a gathering for the UN Food and Agricultural Organization’s 80th anniversary and World Food Day.³¹⁸⁵ The attendees reinstated their importance of multilateralism and international collaboration for food security and sustainable agriculture, showing Mexico’s commitment towards multilateralism.

On 23 October 2025, the Ministers and high representatives of Armenia, Australia, Belgium, Canada, Chile, Colombia, Cyprus, Dominican Republic, Estonia, France, Germany, Iceland, Ireland, Kosovo, Latvia, Liberia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Mexico, Moldova, the Netherlands, North Macedonia, Norway, Portugal, Rwanda, Slovenia, Spain, Thailand, Ukraine, United Kingdom, Uruguay participated at the 4th Ministerial Conference on Feminist Foreign Policies.³¹⁸⁶ The Joint Declaration demonstrates Mexico’s commitment to upholding the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, UN principles and the UNSC Resolution 1325 (Women, Peace and Security agenda), advancing institutional reform of the UN and strengthening multilateral engagement.

On 1 November 2025, APEC Leaders from Australia, Brunei, Canada, Chile, China, Hong Kong, Indonesia, Japan, South Korea, Malaysia, Mexico, New Zealand, Papua New Guinea, Peru, Philippines, Russia, Singapore, Taiwan, Thailand, the United States and Vietnam released the APEC Leaders’ Declaration 2025.³¹⁸⁷ Leaders

³¹⁸² High-level International Conference for the Peaceful Settlement of the Question of Palestine and the Implementation of the Two-State Solution, United Nations (New York) n.d. Access Date: 25 September 2025. <https://www.un.org/unispal/high-level-conference-two-state-solution-july2025/>

³¹⁸³ Latin American and Caribbean Countries Approved the Tlatelolco Commitment, which Establishes a Decade of Action to Achieve Substantive Gender Equality and the Care Society, UN Women Americas and the Caribbean (Clayton) 15 August 2025. Access Date: 29 October 2025. <https://lac.unwomen.org/en/stories/noticia/2025/08/paises-de-america-latina-y-el-caribe-aprobaron-el-compromiso-de-tlatelolco#:~:text=The%20resolution%20includes%20numerous%20specific,%2C%20monitoring%2C%20evaluation%20and%20accountability.>

³¹⁸⁴ Mexico’s commitment towards multilateralism, Government of Mexico (Mexico City) 3 October 2025. Access Date: 20 October 2025. <https://www.gob.mx/sre/prensa/mexico-and-south-korea-strengthen-strategic-partnership-in-international-cooperation?idiom=en>

³¹⁸⁵ Mexico Commemorates FAO’s 80th Anniversary and World Food Day, Government of Mexico (Mexico City) 8 October 2025. Access Date: 20 October 2025. <https://www.gob.mx/sre/prensa/mexico-commemorates-fao-s-80th-anniversary-and-world-food-day?idiom=en>

³¹⁸⁶ Paris Joint Political Declaration on Achieving Gender Equality, Promoting Human Rights of All Women and Girls and Strengthening a Feminist Approach to Foreign Policy under the auspices of the 4th Ministerial Conference on Feminist Foreign Policies in Paris, October 22 and 23 2025, Global Affairs Canada (Ottawa) 28 October 2025. Access Date: 28 October 2025. <https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2025/10/paris-joint-political-declaration-on-achieving-gender-equality-promoting-human-rights-of-all-women-and-girls-and-strengthening-a-feminist-approach-.html>

³¹⁸⁷ 2025年亚太经合组织领导人庆州宣言（摘要），中华人民共和国常驻联合国代表团 (Beijing) 1 November 2025. Translation provided by Google Translate. Access Date: 7 November 2025. https://un.china-mission.gov.cn/zgyw/202511/t20251101_11745424.htm

reiterated their commitment to advancing structural reforms that strengthen innovation, productivity and economic vitality.

Mexico has partially complied with its commitment to work for a reinvigorated and strengthened multilateral system, rooted in the purposes and principles of the UN Charter and international law. Mexico has taken moderate action through engaging in efforts to limit veto powers in the UNSC and strengthening the institutional effectiveness of the UN. It has also taken moderate action in bolstering institutional representativeness and effectiveness through chairing and facilitating dialogue with intergovernmental organizations such as OPANAL. However, it has not taken strong action to reform the UN or other international organizations or met two of the key criteria of institutional representation or transparency and accountability.

Thus, Mexico receives a score of 0.

Analyst: Christina Carballo

Russia: -1

Russia has not complied with its commitment to work for a reinvigorated and strengthened multilateral system, rooted in the purposes and principles of the United Nations Charter and international law, with renewed institutions and a reformed governance that is more representative, effective, transparent and accountable, reflecting the social, economic and political realities of the 21st century.

On 5 December 2024, Foreign Minister Sergey Lavrov attended the 31st Meeting of the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE) Ministerial Council where he attributed institutional weaknesses at the OSCE to Western and North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) expansionism.³¹⁸⁸ Although Minister Lavrov stated Russia's critiques of the organization, he offered no tangible actions to bolster institutional representativeness, effectiveness and transparency and accountability.

On 20 December 2024, Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs Sergey Vershinin reiterated its support for United Nations Security Council (UNSC) reform including extending permanent member status to India.³¹⁸⁹

On 23 January 2025, Minister Lavrov held a meeting with the Secretary-General of the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO) Nurlan Yermekbayev where the two parties emphasized strengthening the role of the SCO in Eurasia and facilitating dialogue and cooperation with international organisations, in particular, the UN, Collective Security Treaty Organization, Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS), Eurasian Economic Union (EAEU) and Association of the Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN).³¹⁹⁰

On 27 January 2025, Minister Lavrov participated in a meeting with the ambassadors of the ASEAN member states where they discussed opportunities to enhance Russia-ASEAN collaboration and mutually construct a sustainable security framework for the Asia-Pacific region that aligns with international law.³¹⁹¹ This

³¹⁸⁸ Foreign Minister Sergey Lavrov's remarks at the 31st Meeting of the OSCE Ministerial Council, Valletta, December 5, 2024, The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation (Moscow) 5 December 2024. Access Date: 17 June 2025. https://mid.ru/en/foreign_policy/news/1985630/

³¹⁸⁹ 13th meeting of the India-Russia Joint Working Group (JWG) on Counter Terrorism (CT) and 6th round of India-Russia consultations on United Nations related issues, Ministry of External Affairs: Government of India (New Delhi) 21 December 2024. Access Date: 9 June 2025. https://www.mea.gov.in/press-releases.htm?dtl/38854/13th_meeting_of_the_IndiaRussia_Joint_Working_Group_JWG_on_Counter_Terrorism_CT_and_6th_round_of_IndiaRussia_consultations_on_United_Nations_related_i

³¹⁹⁰ Press release on Foreign Minister Sergey Lavrov's meeting with SCO Secretary-General Nurlan Yermekbayev, The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation (Moscow) 23 January 2025. Access Date: 17 June 2025. https://mid.ru/en/foreign_policy/news/1992636/#sel=4:9:V,4:9:V

³¹⁹¹ Press release on Foreign Minister Sergey Lavrov's meeting with the ambassadors of the ASEAN Moscow Committee, The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation (Moscow) 27 January 2025. Access Date: 17 June 2025. https://mid.ru/en/foreign_policy/news/1993158/

demonstrates Russia's commitment to bolstering the institutional effectiveness and representativeness of ASEAN.

On 4 February 2025, Minister Lavrov released an article for Russia in Global Affairs magazine, "The UN Charter as the legal foundation of a multipolar world," where he stated the significance of the UN as an institution for maintaining international peace and security, promoting dialogue between Member States and upholding international law and order.³¹⁹²

On 18 February 2025, Russia participated in a ministerial-level open debate "Practicing Multilateralism, Reforming and Improving Global Governance" at the United Nations Security Council (UNSC).³¹⁹³ This engagement underscored Russia's commitment to enhancing multilateral cooperation and advocating for reforms in global governance structures.

On 20 February 2025, Minister Lavrov called attention to NATO's expansionism policies as undermining the principles and goals of intergovernmental organizations like ASEAN and threaten security in the Asia Pacific and Middle Eastern regions.³¹⁹⁴ Minister Lavrov also reiterated the importance of cooperation through upholding principles of the UN Charter and strengthening collaboration through multilateral partnerships in BRICS, the SCO, the EAEU, the African Union, the League of Arab States (LAS) and the Community of Latin American and Caribbean States (CELAC). He also expressed South Africa's leadership in the G20 will achieve progress towards "reforming the Bretton Woods institutions and the WTO [World Trade Organization] and expanding the representation of Asia, Africa and Latin America – and them alone – at the UN Security Council." While Russia's remarks demonstrate a commitment to bolstering the institutional effectiveness and representativeness of the UN and other relevant intergovernmental organizations, it is also openly critical of NATO.

On 20 February 2025, Minister Lavrov and China's Foreign Minister Wang Yi reiterated their commitment to a strategic partnership to bolster the institutional effectiveness and transparency and accountability of the UNSC, the SCO, BRICS, ASEAN and the G20 on the sidelines of the G20 Ministerial Council meeting.³¹⁹⁵

On 21 February 2025, Minister Lavrov held a press release following the G20 ministerial meeting where he stated the urgency of reforming international economic institutions and highlighted opportunities to stabilize multilateral frameworks through the "SCO, EAEU, African Union, LAS, CELAC, and others."³¹⁹⁶ However, Minister Lavrov attributed loan and credit agreements provided by the International Monetary Fund (IMF) and World Bank to be undermining global stability. While Russia's remarks in part demonstrate its commitment to bolstering the institutional effectiveness of intergovernmental organizations, its position regarding the IMF and World Bank are antithetical to the commitment.

³¹⁹² Russian Foreign Minister Sergey Lavrov's article for Russia in Global Affairs magazine, «The UN Charter as the legal foundation of a multipolar world», February 4, 2025, The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation (Moscow) 4 February 2025. Access Date: 17 June 2025. https://mid.ru/en/foreign_policy/news/1994357/

³¹⁹³ Ministerial-Level Open Debate on "Practicing Multilateralism, Reforming and Improving Global Governance," Security Council Report (New York) 17 February 2025. Access Date: 30 April 2025. <https://www.securitycouncilreport.org/whatsinblue/2025/02/ministerial-level-open-debate-on-practicing-multilateralism-reforming-and-improving-global-governance.php>

³¹⁹⁴ Foreign Minister Sergey Lavrov's remarks on the Global Geopolitical Situation at the G20 Foreign Ministers' Meeting, Johannesburg, February 20, 2025, The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation (Moscow) 20 February 2025. Access Date: 17 June 2025. https://mid.ru/en/foreign_policy/news/1998882/

³¹⁹⁵ Foreign Minister Sergey Lavrov's opening remarks at the meeting with Chinese Foreign Minister Wang Yi on the sidelines of the G20 Ministerial Council, Johannesburg, February 20, 2025, The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation (Moscow) 20 February 2025. Access Date: 17 June 2025. https://mid.ru/en/foreign_policy/news/1998780/

³¹⁹⁶ Foreign Minister Sergey Lavrov's statement and answers to media questions following the G20 Ministerial Council meeting, Johannesburg, February 21, 2025, The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation (Moscow) 21 February 2025. Access Date: 17 June 2025. https://mid.ru/en/foreign_policy/news/1999163/

On 24 February 2025, Russia voted in favor of UNSC Resolution 2774 which called for an end to the conflict in Ukraine without assigning blame.³¹⁹⁷ This action reflects engagement with multilateral processes and a willingness to support neutral diplomatic resolutions. The resolution's lack of accountability and Russia's ongoing role in the conflict limit the extent of compliance.

On 26 February 2025, Permanent Representative of the Russian Federation to the United Nations office Gennady Galitov released a statement in response to claims of withdrawing from the ratification of the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty (CTBT) during the high-level segment of the UN Conference on Disarmament.³¹⁹⁸ Representative Galitov reiterated Russia's commitment to upholding the principles of the UN and international law despite UN Member States expressing concern with Russia's cooperation with countries such as Belarus and Iran, and Russia's remarks targeted towards "Western delegations" for undermining disarmament efforts. While Russia reaffirmed their commitment to bolstering the institutional effectiveness of the UN, its withdrawal from the ratification of the CTBT is antithetical to the commitment.

On 26 February 2025, Deputy Foreign Minister and Russian BRICS Sherpa Sergey Ryabkov participated in the BRICS sherpas/sous-sherpas meeting.³¹⁹⁹ The meeting aimed to facilitate dialogue on "maintaining continuity in BRICS operations" and bolstering its institutional effectiveness in addressing key priority areas.

On 11 March 2025, Minister Lavrov held a meeting with the OSCE Secretary General Feridun Sinirlioglu.³²⁰⁰ Minister Lavrov and Secretary General of OSCE discussed the potential for OSCE to "become a building block of the new security architecture."³²⁰¹ In addition, Minister Lavrov affirmed Russia's commitment to bolstering transparency across OSCE institutions.

On 31 March 2025, Minister Vershinin met with UN Under-Secretary-General and the UN Secretary-General's Special Envoy for Digital and Emerging Technologies Amandeep Singh Gill to highlight the role of the UN in regulating information and communication technologies.³²⁰²

On 1 April 2025, Minister Lavrov and China's Foreign Minister Wang Yi underscored the importance of aligning on international issues within multilateral forums including "the UN, the SCO, BRICS, the G20, APEC [Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation]."³²⁰³ This demonstrates a commitment towards bolstering the institutional effectiveness of various intergovernmental organizations.

³¹⁹⁷ With 10 Votes in Favour, 5 Abstentions, Security Council Adopts Resolution 2774 (2025) Mourning Loss of Life, as Russian Federation's Invasion of Ukraine Enters Fourth Year, United Nations (New York) 24 February 2025. Access Date: 9 April 2025. <https://press.un.org/en/2025/sc16005.doc.htm>

³¹⁹⁸ Statement of the Permanent Representative of the Russian Federation to the United Nations Office and Other International Organizations in Geneva G.M.Gatilov at the high-level segment of the Conference on Disarmament by the right of reply, February 26, 2025, The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation (Moscow) 27 February 2025. Access Date: 17 June 2025. https://mid.ru/en/foreign_policy/news/2000509/

³¹⁹⁹ Press release on Deputy Foreign Minister Sergey Ryabkov's participation in the meeting of BRICS sherpas/sous-sherpas, The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation (Moscow) 26 February 2025. Access Date: 17 June 2025. https://mid.ru/en/foreign_policy/news/2000146/

³²⁰⁰ Foreign Minister Sergey Lavrov's opening remarks during talks with Secretary General of the Organisation for Security and Cooperation in Europe Feridun Sinirlioglu, Moscow, March 11, 2025, The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation (Moscow) 11 March 2025. Access Date: 16 June 2025. https://mid.ru/en/foreign_policy/news/2002521/

³²⁰¹ Foreign Minister Sergey Lavrov's statement and answers to media questions following talks with OSCE Secretary General Feridun Sinirlioglu, Moscow, March 11, 2025, The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation (Moscow) 11 March 2025. Access Date: 16 June 2025. https://mid.ru/en/foreign_policy/news/2002594/

³²⁰² Press release on Deputy Foreign Minister Sergey Vershinin's telephone conversation with Amandeep Singh Gill, UN Under-Secretary-General and the UN Secretary-General's Special Envoy for Digital and Emerging Technologies, The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation (Moscow) 31 March 2025. Access Date: 16 June 2025. https://mid.ru/en/foreign_policy/news/2006373/

³²⁰³ Press release on Chinese Foreign Minister Wang Yi's visit to the Russian Federation, The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation (Moscow) 1 April 2025. Access Date: 16 June 2025. https://mid.ru/en/foreign_policy/news/2006568/

On 2 April 2025, Russian representatives challenged findings from the Arria-formula meeting of the UNSC.³²⁰⁴ Russia challenged the legitimacy of international bodies such as the Office of the UN High Commissioner for Human Rights and the international Criminal Court. Russia also attributed inconsistencies to Western narratives relying on “information manipulation, distortion of public consciousness, and the suppression of facts.” These remarks demonstrate Russia taking actions directly and explicitly antithetical to the commitment.

On 28 April 2025, Minister Lavrov told the Brazilian newspaper O Globo that Russia believes the UNSC must be reformed to better reflect broader representation from the Global South and East, including countries in Asia, Africa and Latin America.³²⁰⁵

On 28 April 2025, Minister Lavrov and China’s Foreign Minister Wang Yi reaffirmed their commitment to strengthening coordination in the UN, the SCO, BRICS and other international organizations.³²⁰⁶

On 29 April 2025, Minister Lavrov participated in the BRICS foreign ministers’ meeting.³²⁰⁷ The meeting aimed to facilitate dialogue between ministers and further cooperation in key strategic partnership areas while reforming the international system.

On 27 May 2025, Minister Lavrov reaffirmed its commitment to the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty and expanding the Treaty as a universal tool during a meeting with the Executive Secretary of the Preparatory Commission for the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty Organisation (CTBTO).³²⁰⁸ This demonstrates Russia’s commitment to bolstering the institutional effectiveness of the CTBTO.

On 27 May 2025, Minister Vershinin stated the importance of implementing a permanent mechanism on the existing international information security negotiation process during a meeting with the Permanent Representative of Singapore to the UN Burhan Gafoor.³²⁰⁹ This demonstrates Russia’s commitment to bolstering the institutional effectiveness of the UN.

On 27 May 2025, the Permanent Representative of the Russian Federation Gennady Gatilov released a Joint Statement between the Russian Federation and China on “Global Strategic Stability” at the Plenary Meeting of the Conference on Disarmament where they reaffirm their commitment to implementing and strengthening international agreements and preserving the role of the UN in the area of “arms control, disarmament and non-proliferation.”³²¹⁰ This underscores Russia’s commitment to promoting cooperation and dialogue to strengthen global strategic stability and international security.

³²⁰⁴ Press release on UN Security Council Arria-formula meeting in connection with the third anniversary of the Bucha provocation, The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation (Moscow) 8 April 2025. Access Date: 16 June 2025. https://mid.ru/en/foreign_policy/news/2008066/

³²⁰⁵ Foreign Minister Sergey Lavrov’s written interview with Brazilian newspaper O Globo, April 28, 2025, The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation (Moscow) 28 April 2025. Access Date: 20 May 2025. https://mid.ru/en/foreign_policy/news/2011929/

³²⁰⁶ Press release on Foreign Minister Sergey Lavrov’s meeting with Chinese Foreign Minister Wang Yi on the sidelines of the BRICS Foreign Ministers Council, The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation (Moscow) 28 April 2025. Access Date: 15 June 2025. https://mid.ru/en/foreign_policy/news/2012255/

³²⁰⁷ Press release on Foreign Minister Sergey Lavrov’s participation in BRICS foreign ministers’ meeting, The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation (Moscow) 29 April 2025. Access Date: 15 June 2025. https://mid.ru/en/foreign_policy/news/2012475/

³²⁰⁸ Press release on Foreign Minister Sergey Lavrov’s meeting with Robert Floyd, Executive Secretary of the Preparatory Commission for the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty Organisation (CTBTO), The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation (Moscow) 27 May 2025. Access Date: 15 June 2025. https://mid.ru/en/foreign_policy/news/2020213/

³²⁰⁹ Press Release on the meeting of Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation Sergey Vershinin with Permanent Representative of Singapore to the UN in New York, Chairman of the UN Open-Ended Working Group on Security of and in the Use of ICTs 2021-2025 Burhan Gafoor, The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation (Moscow) 27 May 2025. Access Date: 15 June 2025. https://mid.ru/en/foreign_policy/news/2020383/

³²¹⁰ Statement of the Permanent Representative of the Russian Federation to the United Nations Office and Other International Organisations in Geneva Gennady Gatilov at the Plenary Meeting of the Conference on Disarmament, May 27, 2025, The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation (Moscow) 28 May 2025. Access Date: 15 June 2025. https://mid.ru/en/foreign_policy/news/2020438/

On 6 July 2025, Minister Lavrov met with the WTO Director-General Ngozi Okonjo-Iweala and discussed the importance of advancing WTO reform efforts on the principles of inclusion, non-discrimination and transparency.³²¹¹

On 7 July 2025, Minister Lavrov spoke about the importance of reforming Bretton-Woods institutions, particularly the WTO, International Monetary Fund (IMF) and the World Bank (WB), to reflect contemporary realities and challenges at the second session of the 17th BRICS Summit.³²¹²

On 7 July 2025, Minister Lavrov spoke about coordinating BRICS efforts towards WHO reform, to make the organization more effective and inclusive, at the 3rd session of the 17th BRICS Summit.³²¹³

On 10 July 2025, the Russian Foreign Ministry responded to UN Secretary-General Guterres's remarks on the war in Ukraine by calling out their comments as false and biased.³²¹⁴ The Russian Foreign Ministry stated that the UN continues to ignore the international legal violations Kiev has caused, undermining the organization as a whole and being antithetical to the commitment.

On 10 July 2025, Minister Lavrov emphasized the relationship between Russia and ASEAN and reiterated Russia's commitment to working in line with the UN Charter and its principles at the Russia-ASEAN ministerial meeting held in Kuala Lumpur.³²¹⁵

On 10 July 2025, Minister Vershinin met with the Secretary General of the International Federation of Red Cross (IFRC) and Red Crescent Societies Jagan Chapagain and promised continued contribution towards the IFRC budget.³²¹⁶

On 11 July 2025, Minister Lavrov attended the 15th Meeting of Foreign Ministers of the East Asia Summit (EAS) and the 32nd ASEAN Regional Forum (ARF) on Security, participating in discussions around topical issues in the Asia-Pacific region.³²¹⁷

On 13 July 2025, Minister Lavrov met with Foreign Minister of the People's Republic of China Wang Yi ahead of the Shanghai Cooperation Organization's (SCO) Foreign Ministers Council Meeting, and discussed strengthening cooperation between the two countries at the UN, UNSC, SCO, BRICS, the G20 and APEC.³²¹⁸

³²¹¹ Press release on Foreign Minister Sergey Lavrov's meeting with Director-General of the World Trade Organisation (WTO) Ngozi Okonjo-Iweala, The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation (Moscow) 7 July 2025. Access Date: 15 July 2025. https://mid.ru/en/foreign_policy/news/2034318/

³²¹² Foreign Minister Sergey Lavrov's talking points at Session II of the XVII BRICS Summit «Strengthening multilateral world order, financial and economic issues, artificial intelligence», Rio de Janeiro, July 6, 2025, The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation (Moscow) 7 July 2025. Access Date: 15 July 2025. https://mid.ru/en/foreign_policy/news/2034305/

³²¹³ Foreign Minister Sergey Lavrov's remarks on Environment, the 30th UNFCCC COP, and the Global Healthcare System at the 3rd session of the 17th BRICS Summit, Rio de Janeiro, July 7, 2025, The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation (Moscow) 7 July 2025. Access Date: 24 August 2025. https://mid.ru/en/foreign_policy/news/2034628/

³²¹⁴ Foreign Ministry statement on UN Secretary-General Antonio Guterres' remarks, The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation (Moscow) 10 July 2025. Access Date: 24 August 2025. https://mid.ru/en/foreign_policy/news/2035046/

³²¹⁵ Foreign Minister Sergey Lavrov's remarks at Russia-ASEAN ministerial meeting, Kuala Lumpur, July 10, 2025, The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation (Moscow) 10 July 2025. Access Date: 24 August 2025. https://mid.ru/en/foreign_policy/news/2035069/

³²¹⁶ Press release on signing a memorandum of understanding between the Russian Foreign Ministry and the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies, The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation (Moscow) 10 July 2025. Access Date: 24 August 2025. https://mid.ru/en/foreign_policy/news/2035358/

³²¹⁷ Press release on EAS Foreign Ministers' Meetings and ASEAN Regional Forum on Security, The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation (Moscow) 11 July 2025. Access Date: 24 August 2025. https://mid.ru/en/foreign_policy/news/2035584/

³²¹⁸ Press release on Foreign Minister Sergey Lavrov's talks with Foreign Minister of the People's Republic of China Wang Yi, The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation (Moscow) 13 July 2025. Access Date: 24 August 2025. https://mid.ru/en/foreign_policy/news/2035836/

On 15 July 2025, Minister Lavrov participated in the Council of Foreign Ministers of the Shanghai Cooperation Organization, where the parties reaffirmed their commitment to working together in the SCO, in line with the UN, on regional and global issues.³²¹⁹

On 23 July 2025, Russia suspended a draft press statement on the UN Regional Centre for Preventive Diplomacy for Central Asia (UNRCCA) about the centre's promotion of peace and security in Central Asia, after strong opposition from Western states towards multilateral frameworks.³²²⁰

On 26 July 2025, Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs Aleksandr Pankin recognized the importance of the Global South on the global stage and called for the reform of international financial institutions such as the IMF and the World Bank to allow the Global South to participate in decision-making.³²²¹

On 28 July 2025, Director of the Department of Economic Cooperation of the Russian Ministry of Foreign Affairs Dmitry Birichevskiy recognized the importance of South Africa's G20 Presidency and stated that he looks forward to discussions and cooperation with BRICS to eliminate 'Western dominance' within the Bretton Woods institutions.³²²²

On 29 July 2025, Minister Vershinin discussed with UN Secretary-General Antonio Guterres about the situation in the Middle East as well as the ongoing efforts towards UN reform.³²²³

On 4 August 2025, Foreign Ministry Spokeswoman Maria Zakharova denounced the "Western rules-based order" as infallible following the Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe conference.³²²⁴

On 26 August 2025, the Foreign Ministry held consultations among Collective Security Treaty Organisation (CSTO) member states regarding the agenda of the UNGA.³²²⁵ The members discussed approaches to reform the UN, and reiterated their commitment to strengthening regional integration into and coordination with UN peacekeeping operations.

On 17 September 2025, Minister Lavrov delivered a speech at the ambassadorial roundtable discussion regarding Ukraine and the UN Charter.³²²⁶ He issued a series of statements on the partiality and manipulation

³²¹⁹ Foreign Minister Sergey Lavrov's remarks and answers to media questions following the SCO Foreign Ministers Council Meeting, Tianjin, July 15, 2025, The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation (Moscow) 15 July 2025. Access Date: 24 August 2025. https://mid.ru/en/foreign_policy/news/2036142/

³²²⁰ Foreign Ministry Spokeswoman Maria Zakharova's comment on the disruption of the UN Security Council's coordination of a formal press statement regarding the UN Regional Centre for Preventive Diplomacy for Central Asia, The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation (Moscow) 23 July 2025. Access Date: 24 August 2025. https://mid.ru/en/foreign_policy/news/2037623/

³²²¹ Address by Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation Aleksandr Pankin at G20 Development Working Group Ministerial Meeting during the main session, Skukuza, 25 July 2025, The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation (Moscow) 26 July 2025. Access Date: 24 August 2025. https://mid.ru/en/foreign_policy/news/2038128/

³²²² Remarks by Director of the Department of Economic Cooperation of the Russian Ministry of Foreign Affairs Mr. Dmitry Birichevskiy at the 3rd Russia-Africa conference of the Valdai Club and the South African Institute of International Affairs (SAIIA), Session 1: G20 and BRICS: Assessing Strategic Roles in an Evolving Global Order, 28 July 2025, The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation (Moscow) 28 July 2025. Access Date: 24 August 2025. https://mid.ru/en/foreign_policy/news/2038334/

³²²³ Press release on Deputy Foreign Minister Sergey Vershinin's meeting with UN Secretary-General Antonio Guterres, The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation (Moscow) 30 July 2025. Access Date: 24 August 2025. https://mid.ru/en/foreign_policy/news/2038750/

³²²⁴ Foreign Ministry Spokeswoman Maria Zakharova takes a question about the outcomes of the OSCE conference, The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation (Moscow) 4 August 2025. Access Date: 24 August 2025. https://mid.ru/en/foreign_policy/news/2039729/

³²²⁵ Press release on consultations among CSTO member states regarding the agenda of the UN General Assembly, The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation (Moscow) 26 August 2025. Access Date: 30 October 2025. https://mid.ru/en/foreign_policy/news/2043128/

³²²⁶ Foreign Minister Sergey Lavrov's remarks at the ambassadorial roundtable discussion, Ukraine Crisis: Compliance with the UN Charter Goals and Principles, Moscow, September 17, 2025, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation (Moscow) 17 September 2025. Access Date: 20 October 2025. https://mid.ru/en/foreign_policy/news/2047365/

of the UN Secretariat, undermining the transparency and accountability of the UN. Minister Lavrov stated that “UN officials must strictly adhere to Article 100 of the Charter and refrain from taking instructions from any government or external actor.” However, this action is antithetical to the commitment as Minister Lavrov repeatedly discredits UN impartiality and justifies Russia’s rejection of UN decisions and resolutions as critical of the organization’s conduct.

On 19 September 2025, the Foreign Ministry issued a statement on the UNSC vote to reimpose sanctions on Iran, attributing the draft resolution as reflective of the “provocative and unlawful nature of the actions taken by the European participants in the JCPOA and by the South Korean UNSC presidency.” The statement is antithetical to the commitment as it delegitimizes the UNSC’s internal processes.

On 25 September 2025, Minister Lavrov met with UN Secretary-General António Guterres on the sidelines of the High-level Week of the 80th Session of the UN General Assembly where he emphasized the importance of safeguarding the UN organization’s foundational structure amid transformations.³²²⁷ He also stated the need to maintain a clear division of labour among the UN’s principal organs, ensuring oversight remains with member states. Minister Lavrov highlighted the independence within the UN Secretariat and reaffirmed Russia’s commitment to supporting the UN in upholding its central role in global governance.

On 26 September 2025, Minister Lavrov participated in the BRICS foreign ministers’ meeting to discuss proposals to revisit the structure of international organizations to foster an inclusive body for developing countries.³²²⁸

On 26 September 2025, the Foreign Ministry issued a statement outlining reasons for Russia’s refusal to participate in the 14th Conference on Facilitating the Entry into Force of the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty (CTBT) held on the sidelines of UNGA.³²²⁹ The statement rejected the final declaration due to criticisms of the Democratic People’s Republic of Korea, refusing to endorse multilateral consensus-based solutions due to political disagreements. This action is antithetical to the commitment as it undermines the institutional effectiveness of the UN.

On 27 September 2025, Minister Lavrov delivered a speech at the UN General Debate during the 80th UN General Assembly to advocate for reform of the UN system.³²³⁰ He proposed changes to the structure and working methods of core bodies to refine them into more equitable and entities.

On 10 October 2025, Head of the Delegation of the Russian Federation, Director of the Department for Non-Proliferation and Arms Control of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation Oleg Postnikov delivered a statement at the General Debate in the First Committee of the 80th session of the UNGA.³²³¹ He reaffirmed Russia’s commitment to preserving its position as a UN founding state and a permanent member of the UNSC, as well as strengthening the role of the UN on the global stage.

³²²⁷ Press release on Foreign Minister Sergey Lavrov’s meeting with UN Secretary-General António Guterres, The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation (New York) 26 September 2025. Access Date: 20 October 2025. https://mid.ru/en/foreign_policy/news/2049014/

³²²⁸ Press release on Foreign Minister Sergey Lavrov’s participation in BRICS foreign ministers’ meeting, The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation (New York) 26 September 2025. Access Date: 20 October 2025. https://mid.ru/en/foreign_policy/news/2049449/

³²²⁹ Foreign Ministry statement on the reasons for Russia’s refusal to participate in the 14th Conference on Facilitating Entry into Force of the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty (CTBT), The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation (Moscow) 27 September 2025. Access Date: 30 October 2025. https://mid.ru/en/foreign_policy/news/2049467/

³²³⁰ Remarks by Foreign Minister Sergey Lavrov at the General Debate of the 80th Session of the United Nations General Assembly, The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation (New York) 27 September 2025. Access Date: 10 October 2025. https://mid.ru/en/foreign_policy/news/2049686/

³²³¹ Statement by Head of the Delegation of the Russian Federation, Director of the Department for Non-Proliferation and Arms Control of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation Oleg Postnikov at the General Debate in the First Committee of the 80th session of the UN General Assembly, New York, 10 October 2025, The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation (Moscow) 11 October 2025. Access Date: 30 October 2025. https://mid.ru/en/foreign_policy/news/2053073/

On 15 October 2025, Head of the Russian Delegation to the Vienna Negotiations on Military Security and Arms Control Yulia Zhdanova delivered a statement on the Russian delegation's position on how their "opponents are trying to build up 'resilience'" in the context of adapting to military threats at the 1117th Plenary Meeting of the OSCE Forum for Security Cooperation.³²³²

On 16 October 2025, the Group of Friends in Defence of the UN Charter with Russia's contribution drafted the a document as a follow-up to the UNGA Resolution 79/115 Eradication of Colonialism in All its Forms and Manifestations.³²³³ This demonstrates Russia's commitment to bolstering the institutional effectiveness and representativeness of the UN, with regards to its agenda on decolonization and engagement with 23 co-authors from multiple regions.

On 17 October 2025, the Foreign Ministry issued a statement on the expiration of UNSC Resolution 2231.³²³⁴ While the statement stressed that "the matter falls within the exclusive purview of the UN Security Council," thus reinforcing the primacy of formal UN processes and procedural compliance; the Foreign Ministry accused the UN Secretariat acted in violation of Article 100 of the UN Charter by posting "false information."

On 23 October 2025, Deputy Head of the Russian Delegation and Deputy Director of the Russian Foreign Ministry's Department for Non-Proliferation and Arms Control Konstantin Vorontsov responded to remarks from "Western countries'" delegations on military-biological activities in Ukraine.³²³⁵ The statement is antithetical to the commitment as it delegitimizes existing Confidence-Building Measures of the Biological and Toxin Weapons Convention BTWC and UN mechanisms by implying they have "elicited no substantive response."

On 23 October 2025, Deputy Head Vorontsov issued a series of remarks in response to accusations made regarding Russia's obligations under international humanitarian law the First Committee of the 80th Session of the UNGA.³²³⁶ He stated that NATO members violate international legal obligations and commitments to the UN. These remarks undermine the legitimacy of multilateral legal institutions instead of strengthening their institutional effectiveness, representativeness or transparency and accountability.

On 25 October 2025, Prosecutor General of the Russian Federation Alexander Gutsan represented President Vladimir Putin and the Russian delegation at the signing of the UN Convention against Cybercrime.³²³⁷ The initiative serves as a new global standard and legal instrument for cooperation against cybercrime. He urged all UN members to sign and ratify the Convention to strengthen the UN's capacity to respond to digital threats.

³²³² Statement by Head of the Russian Delegation to the Vienna Negotiations on Military Security and Arms Control Yulia Zhdanova at the 1117th Plenary Meeting of the OSCE Forum for Security Cooperation, October 15, 2025, The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation (Moscow) 15 October 2025. Access Date: 30 October 2025. https://mid.ru/en/foreign_policy/news/2053730/

³²³³ Press release on anti-colonial resolution adopted by UNGA Fourth Committee, The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation (Moscow) 18 October 2025. Access Date: 30 October 2025. https://mid.ru/en/foreign_policy/news/2054268/

³²³⁴ Foreign Ministry statement on expiration of UN Security Council Resolution 2231, The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation (Moscow) 17 October 2025. Access Date: 30 October 2025. https://mid.ru/en/foreign_policy/news/2054016/

³²³⁵ Remarks by Konstantin Vorontsov, Deputy Head of the Russian Delegation, Deputy Director of the Foreign Ministry's Department for Non-Proliferation and Arms Control, in exercise of the right of reply at the Thematic Debate on Cluster II "Other WMDs" at the First Committee of the 80th UN General Assembly Session, New York, October 23, 2025, The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation (New York) 23 October 2025. Access Date: 30 October 2025. https://mid.ru/en/foreign_policy/news/2055572/

³²³⁶ Remarks by Deputy Head of the Russian Delegation and Deputy Director of the Foreign Ministry's Department for Non-Proliferation and Arms Control Konstantin Vorontsov in exercise of the right of reply at the Thematic Debate on Cluster IV "Other WMDs" at the First Committee of the 80th Session of the UN General Assembly, New York, October 23, 2025, The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation (New York) 24 October 2025. Access Date: 30 October 2025. https://mid.ru/en/foreign_policy/news/2055564/

³²³⁷ Press release on the UN Convention against Cybercrime Signing Ceremony and High-Level Conference in Hanoi (Vietnam), October 25-26, 2025, The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation (Hanoi) 28 October 2025. Access Date: 30 October 2025. https://mid.ru/en/foreign_policy/news/2055978/

On 27 October 2025, Deputy Head Vorontsov delivered a speech at the First Committee of the 80th UNGA Session on Cluster III Outer Space (Disarmament Aspects).³²³⁸ Deputy Head Vorontsov criticized the U.S.-Japan draft UNSC resolution, claiming it undermined UN disarmament venues. He stated that the Russian delegation submitted a comprehensive draft resolution and reiterated Russia's commitment to begin negotiations.

On 27 October 2025, Deputy Head Vorontsov called for improvements to the effectiveness of the UN disarmament mechanisms including the Conference on Disarmament and First Committee.³²³⁹ As a part of the Russian delegation's proposal, they also sought to expand transparency and confidence building measures (TCBMs) in outer space activities to improve the UN's institutional transparency and accountability mechanisms.

On 27 October 2025, Deputy Head Vorontsov reiterated Russia's support for the UN Open-Ended Working Group (OEWG) on ICTs 2021-2025 as a consensus-building mechanism.³²⁴⁰ He also endorsed the establishment of the new Global Mechanism (GM) as successor to the OEWG, promoting the continuity and institutionalization of discussions on international security within the UN system. Deputy Head Vorontsov underscored the importance of decision-making by consensus and equal participation of all UN members. He also criticized the move of discussions on "military AI" to a separate forum, advocating for reforms that consolidates the UN institutional structure on emerging technologies and armed control.

On 30 October 2025, Deputy Foreign Minister Dmitry Lyubinsky called upon G20 members and partner organizations to scale up international anti-corruption action within binding legal frameworks and the current G20 Anti-Corruption Action Plan.³²⁴¹ He further reiterated Russia's commitment to contributing to the institutional effectiveness of the G20.

On 1 November 2025, APEC Leaders from Australia, Brunei, Canada, Chile, China, Hong Kong, Indonesia, Japan, South Korea, Malaysia, Mexico, New Zealand, Papua New Guinea, Peru, Philippines, Russia, Singapore, Taiwan, Thailand, the United States and Vietnam released the APEC Leaders' Declaration 2025.³²⁴² Leaders reiterated their commitment to advancing structural reforms that strengthen innovation, productivity and economic vitality.

Russia has not complied with its commitment to work for a reinvigorated and strengthened multilateral system, rooted in the purposes and principles of the UN Charter and international law. Russia has taken moderate action in reforming a UN body through meeting participation and voting procedures that advance institutional

³²³⁸ Remarks by Deputy Head of the Russian Delegation and Deputy Director of the Russian Foreign Ministry's Department for Non-Proliferation and Arms Control Konstantin Vorontsov in exercise of the right to reply during the thematic discussion on Cluster III Outer Space (Disarmament Aspects) at the First Committee of the 80th UN General Assembly Session, New York, October 27, 2025, The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation (New York) 28 October 2025. Access Date: 30 October 2025. https://mid.ru/en/foreign_policy/news/2056236/

³²³⁹ Statement by the Deputy Head of the Delegation of the Russian Federation, Deputy Director of the Department for Non-Proliferation and Arms Control of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation Konstantin Vorontsov at the Thematic Debate on Cluster III "Outer Space (Disarmament Aspects)" in the First Committee of the 80th session of the UN General Assembly, New York, October 27, 2025, The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation (New York) 28 October 2025. Access Date: 30 October 2025. https://mid.ru/en/foreign_policy/news/2056230/

³²⁴⁰ Statement by Mr. Konstantin Vorontsov, Deputy Head of the Delegation of the Russian Federation, at the Thematic Debate on Cluster V "Other disarmament measures and international security" in the First Committee of the 80th Session of the UNGA, Permanent Mission of the Russian Federation to the United Nations (Moscow) 27 October 2025. Access Date: 30 October 2025. <https://russiaun.ru/en/news/427102025>

³²⁴¹ Remarks by Deputy Foreign Minister Dmitry Lyubinsky at the G20 Anti-Corruption Ministerial Meeting, Skukuza, Republic of South Africa, October 30, 2025, The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation (Moscow) 30 October 2025. Access Date: 30 October 2025. https://mid.ru/en/foreign_policy/news/2056495/

³²⁴² 2025年亚太经合组织领导人庆州宣言（摘要），中华人民共和国常驻联合国代表团（Beijing）1 November 2025. Translation provided by Google Translate. Access Date: 7 November 2025. https://un.china-mission.gov.cn/zgyw/202511/t20251101_11745424.htm

effectiveness and transparency and accountability. It has taken moderate action through its attendance of meetings and verbal affirmations to bolster the institutional representativeness, effectiveness and transparency and accountability of organizations such as ASEAN, OSCE and the UN. However, it has taken also actions antithetical to the commitment by undermining the legitimacy of the UN by discrediting UN impartiality and rejecting UN resolutions.

Russia has not complied with its commitment to work for a reinvigorated and strengthened multilateral system, rooted in the purposes and principles of the UN Charter and international law. Russia has taken moderate action in reforming a UN body through meeting participation and voting procedures that advance institutional effectiveness and transparency and accountability. It has taken moderate action through its attendance of meetings and verbal affirmations to bolster the institutional representativeness, effectiveness and transparency and accountability of organizations such as ASEAN and OSCE. However, it has taken actions antithetical to the commitment by undermining the legitimacy of the UN and NATO.

Thus, Russia receives a score of -1 .³²⁴³

Analyst: Eimaan Khurram Raja

Saudi Arabia: 0

Saudi Arabia has partially complied with its commitment to work for a reinvigorated and strengthened multilateral system, rooted in the purposes and principles of the United Nations Charter and international law, with renewed institutions and a reformed governance that is more representative, effective, transparent and accountable, reflecting the social, economic and political realities of the 21st century.

On 19 December 2024, Saudi Arabia voted in favour of a resolution on the “Request for an advisory opinion of the internal Court of Justice on the obligations of Israel in relation to the presence and activities of the United Nations, other international organizations and third States.”³²⁴⁴ This demonstrates Saudi Arabia’s commitment to bolstering the UN’s institutional effectiveness.

On 11 February 2025, Saudi Arabia officially assumed the presidency of the Global Operational Network of Anti-Corruption Law Enforcement Authorities (GlobE Network).³²⁴⁵ In their opening address, they focused on the need for greater international cooperation and also promised to ensure a fair, just and sustainable governance system.

On 17 February 2025, the Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB) and Saudi Arabia forged a partnership with the New Sustainable Investment Program and signed a joint declaration of intent at the Conference for Emerging Market Economies in Al-Ula, Saudi Arabia.³²⁴⁶ The partnership aims to foster greater cooperation, international economic integration and connections between Africa, the Middle East and Asia.

³²⁴³ This score of non-compliance was determined after consulting the following sources: <http://government.ru/en/>, <https://www.mid.ru/en/>, <https://www.mea.gov.in/index.htm>, <https://www.securitycouncilreport.org/>, <https://www.un.org/en>, <http://www.g77.org/> and <https://www.themoscowtimes.com/>.

³²⁴⁴ Request for an advisory opinion of the International Court of Justice on the obligations of Israel in relation to the presence and activities of the United Nations, other international organizations and third States – GA draft Resolution (A/79/L.28/Rev.1) – Revised (Adopted on 19 Dec 2024), United Nations General Assembly (New York) 12 December 2024. Access Date: 30 June 2025. <https://www.un.org/unispal/document/request-for-an-advisory-opinion-icj-12dec24/>

³²⁴⁵ Saudi Arabia Assumes Presidency of GlobE Network, Saudi Press Agency (Riyadh) 11 February 2025. Access Date: 29 March 2025. <https://spa.gov.sa/en/N2259720>

³²⁴⁶ AIIB and Saudi Arabia Forge Strategic Partnership with New Sustainable Investment Program, Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (Beijing) 17 February 2025. Access Date: 29 March 2025. <https://www.aiib.org/en/news-events/news/2025/aiib-saudi-arabia-forge-strategic-partnership-new-sustainable-investment-program.html>

On 23 February 2025, Minister of Foreign Affairs Faisal bin Farhan bin Abdullah participated in the second session of the G20 foreign ministers meeting.³²⁴⁷ He gave a speech titled “Restructuring Global Governance,” where he emphasized the necessity of making multilateral frameworks more effective and coordinated. He highlighted multilateral trade and investment, stating that reform is necessary to reduce disparities in the international system and restore credibility to international institutions.

On 2 April 2025, President of the General Court of Audit Hussam Alangari attended the International Organization of Supreme Audit Institutions Development Initiative Board Meeting hosted in Thimphu, Bhutan.³²⁴⁸ The discussion focused on adjustments to guidelines and ways to enhance ongoing programs. This aligns with Saudi Arabia’s commitment to creating greater functionality within international bodies and reform which supports greater global development.

On 7 July 2025, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs released a statement on the Minister's attendance at the BRICS Summit to discuss international development efforts.³²⁴⁹

On 29 July 2025, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs released a statement on the two-state solution conference at which Prince Faisal bin Farhan bin Abdullah served as a co-chair.³²⁵⁰ As co-chair, Saudi Arabia facilitated discussions on the role of the UN and international bodies in the Israel-Palestine conflict as well as Palestinian recognition.

On 16 August 2025, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs released a statement on the meeting between US President Donald Trump and Russian President Vladimir Putin on Friday.³²⁵¹ This statement reaffirmed Saudi Arabia’s commitment to utilizing mediation and dialogue as a means to resolve international conflicts.

On 27 September 2025, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs released a statement following the meeting between Minister of Foreign Affairs Faisal bin Farhan bin Abdullah and the UN Secretary-General.³²⁵² During this meeting they discussed methods by which the work of the UN can be better supported in order to create a truly unifying platform for humanitarian causes.

On 27 October 2025, Saudi Arabia hosted the High-Level Coordination Meeting of the Global Alliance for the Implementation of the Two-State Solution.³²⁵³ Participants reiterated their support for the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA).

Saudi Arabia has partially complied with its commitment to work for a reinvigorated and strengthened multilateral system, rooted in the purposes and principles of the UN Charter and international law. Saudi Arabia

³²⁴⁷ Foreign Minister Participates in 2nd G20 Session on Restructuring Global Governance, Saudi Press Agency (Riyadh) 23 February 2025. Access Date: 29 March 2025. <https://spa.gov.sa/en/N2052845>

³²⁴⁸ GCA President Participates in INTOSAI Development Initiative Board Meeting in Bhutan, Government of Saudi Arabia (Thimphu) 2 April 2025. Access Date: 10 May 2025. <https://my.gov.sa/en/news/143208>

³²⁴⁹ وزارة الخارجية، نيابةً عن سمو ولي العهد.. سمو وزير الخارجية يصل إلى البرازيل لمشاركة في اجتماع قمة بريكس (Riyadh) 7 July 2025. Translation provided by Google Translate. Access Date: 16 August 2025.

<https://www.mofa.gov.sa/ar/ministry/news/Pages/NE903.aspx?csrt=7807782032115170781>

³²⁵⁰ سمو الوزير يشارك في ترؤس جلسة اليوم الثاني لمؤتمر حل الدولتين، وزارة الخارجية، سمو وزير يشارك في ترؤس جلسة اليوم الثاني لمؤتمر حل الدولتين (Riyadh) 29 July 2025. Translation provided by Google Translate. Access Date: 16 August 2025. <https://www.mofa.gov.sa/ar/ministry/news/Pages/--جلسة-اليوم-الثاني.aspx?csrt=7807782032115170781>

³²⁵¹ Saudi Arabia welcomes Trump-Putin summit, reaffirms support for peaceful resolution to Ukraine conflict (Riyadh) 16 August 2025. Access Date: 16 August 2025. <https://www.arabnews.com/node/2612019/saudi-arabia>

³²⁵² وزارة الخارجية (New York) 27 September 2025. Translation provided by Google Translate. Access Date: 10 October 2025. <https://www.mofa.gov.sa/ar/ministry/news/Pages/%D8%B3%D9%85%D9%88-%D9%88%D8%B2%D9%8A%D8%B1-%D8%A7%D9%84%D8%AE%D8%A7%D8%B1%D8%AC%D9%8A%D8%A9-%D9%8A%D9%84%D8%AA%D9%82%D9%8A-%D8%A3%D9%85%D9%8A%D9%86-%D8%B9%D8%A7%D9%85-%D9%85%D9%86%D8%B8%D9%85%D8%A9-%D8%A7%D9%84%D8%A3%D9%85%D9%85-%D8%A7%D9%84%D9%85%D8%AA%D8%AD%D8%AF%D8%A9.aspx?csrt=6353055724588436149>

³²⁵³ The Kingdom Hosts the High-Level Coordination Meeting of the Global Alliance for the Implementation of the Two-State Solution, Ministry of Foreign Affairs (Riyadh) 27 October 2025. Access Date: 30 October 2025. <https://www.mofa.gov.sa/en/ministry/news/Pages/NE51-.aspx?csrt=8070957439309455310>

has taken moderate action to reform international institutions such as the GlobE Network and the AIIB and participated in ministerial meetings to advance institutional representation, effectiveness and transparency and accountability. However, it has not taken action to reform a UN body.

Thus, Saudi Arabia receives a score of 0.

Analyst: Ngila Stone

South Africa: 0

South Africa has partially complied with its commitment to work for a reinvigorated and strengthened multilateral system, rooted in the purposes and principles of the United Nations Charter and international law, with renewed institutions and a reformed governance that is more representative, effective, transparent and accountable, reflecting the social, economic and political realities of the 21st century.

On 21 November 2024, Deputy Minister of International Relations and Cooperation Thandi Moraka participated in the Second Meeting of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN)-South Africa Joint Cooperation Committee.³²⁵⁴ The meeting aimed to facilitate dialogue on progress on existing ASEAN-South African partnerships and opportunities for future collaboration. This demonstrates South Africa's commitment to bolstering the institutional representativeness and effectiveness of ASEAN.

On 19 December 2024, South Africa voted in favour of a resolution on the "Request for an advisory opinion of the internal Court of Justice on the obligations of Israel in relation to the presence and activities of the United Nations, other international organizations and third States."³²⁵⁵ This demonstrates South Africa's commitment to bolstering the UN's institutional effectiveness.

On 21 January 2025, President Ramaphosa reiterated South Africa's commitment to reforming the UN, the World Trade Organization (WTO), as well as other international financial organizations on areas of better representation and responsiveness at the World Economic Forum on South Africa's G20 priorities.³²⁵⁶

On 12 February 2025, the South African government announced that the focus of the First Foreign Ministers meeting under South Africa's G20 Presidency would be on current geopolitical tensions as well as global governance reform.³²⁵⁷

³²⁵⁴ Deputy Minister Moraka optimistic about the potential for further collaboration between South Africa and ASEAN, Department of International Relations & Cooperation (Pretoria) 21 November 2024. Access Date: 18 June 2025. <https://dirco.gov.za/deputy-minister-moraka-optimistic-about-the-potential-for-further-collaboration-between-south-africa-and-asean/>

³²⁵⁵ Request for an advisory opinion of the International Court of Justice on the obligations of Israel in relation to the presence and activities of the United Nations, other international organizations and third States – GA draft Resolution (A/79/L.28/Rev.1) – Revised (Adopted on 19 Dec 2024), United Nations General Assembly (New York) 12 December 2024. Access Date: 30 June 2025. <https://www.un.org/unispal/document/request-for-an-advisory-opinion-icj-12dec24/>

³²⁵⁶ Special Address by President Cyril Ramaphosa at the World Economic Forum on South Africa's G20 priorities, Davos-Klosters, Switzerland, 21 January 2025, Department of International Relations and Cooperation (Cape Town) 21 January 2025. Access Date: 15 July 2025. <https://dirco.gov.za/special-address-by-president-cyril-ramaphosa-at-the-world-economic-forum-on-south-africas-g20-priorities-davos-klosters-switzerland-21-january-2025/>

³²⁵⁷ Statement on the Cabinet Meeting of Wednesday, 12 February 2025 and Special Cabinet Meeting of Wednesday, 29 January 2025, Department of International Relations and Cooperation (Cape Town) 12 February 2025. Access Date: 15 July 2025. <https://dirco.gov.za/statement-on-the-cabinet-meeting-of-wednesday-12-february-2025-and-special-cabinet-meeting-of-wednesday-29-january-2025/>

On 20 February 2025, President Ramaphosa called for the reform of the United Nations Security Council (UNSC) and other international financial institutions to have better representation and suitability to contemporary realities and challenges at the G20 Foreign Ministers' Meeting.³²⁵⁸

On 24 February 2025, South Africa voted in favour of a United Nations General Assembly (UNGA) resolution which reiterated the purpose of the UN to “maintain international peace and security and to peacefully settle disputes” as outlined in the UN Charter during a meeting commemorating the anniversary of the conflict between Russia and Ukraine.³²⁵⁹ This demonstrates South Africa's commitment to bolstering the UN's institutional effectiveness.

On 12 March 2025, President Ramaphosa met with President of the European Commission Ursula von der Leyen and President of the European Council António Costa where the leaders issued a joint statement on a renewed commitment to multilateral cooperation of international organizations at the 8th Summit between the EU and South Africa.³²⁶⁰ The leaders committed to strengthening the G20, reforming the UN Security Council to include underrepresented regions and reforming the World Trade Organization to improve its governance and align with today's realities.

On 13 March 2025, President Ramaphosa reaffirmed South Africa's commitment to reforming global governance institutions to ensure better representation of members as well as the current geopolitical landscape at the South Africa-European Union Summit Joint Press Conference.³²⁶¹

On 27 March 2025, South Africa attended a G20 Dialogue Session that took place in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, bringing together African ambassadors, the African Union Commission (AUC) and the United Nations Development Programme.³²⁶² The discussions focused on prioritizing African participation in G20 processes, mainly regarding international financial systems. This session showcases a collective African effort to strengthen engagement within global governance.

On 3 April 2025, in his capacity as G20 Sherpa for the South African presidency, Director-General of the Development of International Relations and Cooperation (DIRCO) Zane Dangor chaired the Second Meeting of the G20 Sherpas.³²⁶³ He reiterated the importance of collaborating with multilateral institutions such as the UN.³²⁶⁴

³²⁵⁸ Address by President Cyril Ramaphosa at the G20 Foreign Ministers' Meeting, Nasrec, Johannesburg, 20 February 2025, Department of International Relations and Cooperation (Cape Town) 20 February 2025. Access Date: 15 July 2025. <https://dirco.gov.za/address-by-president-cyril-ramaphosa-at-the-g20-foreign-ministers-meeting-nasrec-johannesburg-20-february-2025/>

³²⁵⁹ South Africa participates in a General Assembly Meeting commemorating the third anniversary of the conflict between Russia and Ukraine, Department of International Relations & Cooperation (Pretoria) 24 February 2025. Access Date: 17 June 2025. <https://dirco.gov.za/south-africa-participates-in-a-general-assembly-meeting-commemorating-the-third-anniversary-of-the-conflict-between-russia-and-ukraine/>

³²⁶⁰ EU - South Africa Summit Declaration, European Commission (Cape Town) 12 March 2025. Access Date: 1 July 2025. https://ec.europa.eu/commission/presscorner/detail/en/statement_25_773

³²⁶¹ Remarks by President Ramaphosa at the Joint Press Conference: South Africa-European Union Summit, 13 March 2025, Department of International Relations and Cooperation (Cape Town) 13 March 2025. Access Date: 15 July 2025. <https://dirco.gov.za/remarks-by-president-ramaphosa-at-the-joint-press-conference-south-africa-european-union-summit-13-march-2025/>

³²⁶² Saiia, Auda-Nepad and UNDP: Push for Stronger Alignment, Institutional Clarity and Long-Term Influence for G20 Engagement, United Nations Development Programme (Addis Ababa) 28 March 2025. Access Date: 1 April 2025. <https://www.undp.org/africa/press-releases/saiia-auda-nepad-and-undp-push-stronger-alignment-institutional-clarity-and-long-term-influence-g20-engagement>

³²⁶³ G20 Sherpa and Director-General of the Development of International Relations and Cooperation (DIRCO) Zane Dangor, Department of International Relations & Cooperation (Pretoria) 2 April 2025. Access Date: 17 June 2025. <https://dirco.gov.za/south-africa-convenes-the-second-g20-sherpa-meeting/>

³²⁶⁴ South Africa hosts virtual meeting of G20 Sherpas, highlights importance of working with multilateral institutions, The Tribune (Chandigarh) 9 April 2025. Access Date: 17 June 2025. <https://www.tribuneindia.com/news/world/south-africa-hosts-virtual-meeting-of-g20-sherpas-highlights-importance-of-working-with-multilateral-institutions/>

On 25 May 2025, South Africa hosted the 3rd G20 Development Working Group (DWG) meeting whereby discussions centred around collaborative efforts to address key issues areas: illicit financial flows, resource mobilization, inclusive social protection and aligning development finance with the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).³²⁶⁵

On 30 May 2025, Deputy Minister of International Relations and Cooperation Alvin Botes delivered a speech at the G20 Multi-Stakeholder Dialogue on Illicit Financial Flows (IFFs), Domestic Resource Mobilisation and Financing for Development.³²⁶⁶ Minister Botes reiterated the importance of inter-agency cooperation and information-sharing to address IFFs and developing robust legal instruments and tools to address transnational crimes.

On 26 June 2025, Minister of International Relations and Cooperation Ronald Lamola gave a speech at the High-Level Session of the Third G20 Sherpa Meeting, emphasizing the need to reform existing global governance institutions.³²⁶⁷

On 3 July 2025, Minister Lamola restated South Africa's call for reforming the UN, Bretton Woods institutions and other international financial institutions at the Pre-Budget Department of International Relations and Cooperation Media Briefing.³²⁶⁸

On 6 July 2025, President Ramaphosa stated the importance of reforming the UNSC to be more representative of different regions of the world and accountable due to existing institutions failing to accurately represent contemporary challenges and realities.³²⁶⁹ President Ramaphosa also mentioned the importance of collaboration between BRICS nations to support the reform of global institutions at the 17th BRICS Leaders' Summit.

On 7 July 2025, President Ramaphosa emphasized the importance of collective advocacy to push for reforming international financial institutions to be more representative of developing economies at the 17th BRICS Leaders' Summit.³²⁷⁰

On 16 July 2025, South Africa co-chaired the Bogotá Conference of the Hague Group with Colombia to take "unprecedented measures" to stop the Gaza genocide under international law in a Joint Statement, which began

³²⁶⁵ Planning, Monitoring and Evaluation on 3rd G20 Development Working Group (DWG) meeting, Republic of South Africa (Zimbali) 27 May 2025. Access Date: 25 September 2025. <https://www.gov.za/news/media-statements/planning-monitoring-and-evaluation-3rd-g20-development-working-group-dwg>

³²⁶⁶ Remarks by the Deputy Minister of the Department of International Relations and Cooperation, Mr Alvin Botes, (MP), to the G20 Multi-Stakeholder Dialogue on Illicit Financial Flows (IFFs), Domestic Resource Mobilisation (DRM) and Financing for Development (FFD), hosted by SGN Grant Thornton in partnership with the Institute for Global Dialogue (IGD), Midrand, Johannesburg, South Africa, 30 May 2025, Department of International Relations & Cooperation (Pretoria) 30 May 2025. Access Date: 18 June 2025. <https://dirco.gov.za/remarks-by-the-deputy-minister-of-the-department-of-international-relations-and-cooperation-mr-alvin-botes-mp-to-the-g20-multi-stakeholder-dialogue-on-illicit-financial-flows-iffs-domestic-res/>

³²⁶⁷ Speech by Minister Ronald Lamola at the High-Level Session of the Third G20 Sherpa Meeting, Sun City, 26 June 2025, Department of International Relations and Cooperation (Cape Town) 26 June 2025. Access Date: 15 July 2025. <https://dirco.gov.za/speech-by-minister-ronald-lamola-at-the-high-level-session-of-the-third-g20-sherpa-meeting-sun-city-26-june-2025/>

³²⁶⁸ Pre-Budget Department of International Relations and Cooperation Media Briefing by Minister Ronald Lamola, in Parliament, Cape Town, South Africa, 3 July 2025, Department of International Relations and Cooperation (Cape Town) 3 July 2025. Access Date: 15 July 2025. <https://dirco.gov.za/pre-budget-department-of-international-relations-and-cooperation-media-briefing-by-minister-ronald-lamola-in-parliament-cape-town-south-africa-3-july-2025/>

³²⁶⁹ Intervention by President Cyril Ramaphosa on Peace, Security and Global Governance, XVII BRICS Leaders' Summit, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, 6 July 2025, Department of International Relations and Cooperation (Cape Town) 6 July 2025. Access Date: 15 July 2025. <https://dirco.gov.za/intervention-by-president-cyril-ramaphosa-on-peace-security-and-global-governance-xvii-brics-leaders-summit-rio-de-janeiro-brazil-6-july-2025/>

³²⁷⁰ Intervention by President Cyril Ramaphosa on Environment, COP30 and Global Health, XVII BRICS Leaders' Summit, BRICS Partners and Outreach, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, 7 July 2025, Department of International Relations and Cooperation (Cape Town) 7 July 2025. Access Date: 15 July 2025. <https://dirco.gov.za/intervention-by-president-cyril-ramaphosa-on-environment-cop30-and-global-health-xvii-brics-leaders-summit-brics-partners-and-outreach-rio-de-janeiro-brazil-7-july-2025/>

with 12 countries and calls on others to join by 20 September 2025.³²⁷¹ This demonstrates South Africa's commitment to bolster the institutional effectiveness of the Hague Group.

On 21 July 2025, Minister in the Presidency for Planning, Monitoring and Evaluation Maropene Ramokgopa delivered opening remarks at the 4th G20 meeting on the Development Working Group.³²⁷² She called on delegates to strengthen multilateral order and transparent decision-making, aligning collective action with the theme of South Africa's G20 Presidency: "Solidarity, Equality, and Sustainability."

On 22 July 2025, the South African Department of Small Business Development and the International Trade Centre (ITC), a joint agency under the WTO and the UN, co-hosted the first Global Small and Medium-sized Enterprises (SME) Ministerial Meeting convening over 50 ministers to align and strengthen SME development, bolstering the institutional effectiveness of the ITC.³²⁷³

On 29 July 2025, Minister Ramokgopa participated in the United Nations Sustainable Development Cooperation Framework (UNSDCF) Strategic Prioritisation Retreat.³²⁷⁴ The initiative facilitates the development and execution of UN development activities, as well as regional cooperation between UN agencies and the South African government.

On 29 August 2025, Minister in the Presidency for Women, Youth and Persons with Disabilities Sinidisiwe Chikunga spoke about the importance of reforming international institutions to particularly ensure women are included at the table, during the G20 Women to Africa event.³²⁷⁵

On 8 September 2025, President Ramaphosa underscored the need to reform key international organizations such as the WTO and the United Nations, and emphasized the efforts of the BRICS in leading discussions for reform.³²⁷⁶

On 23 September 2025, President Ramaphosa delivered a statement during the General Debate at the 80th United Nations General Assembly, in which he solidified South Africa's call for comprehensive Security reform and transparency in the multilateral system.³²⁷⁷

³²⁷¹ Press Release by the Hague Group: States announce unprecedented measures to halt the Gaza genocide at the Bogotá Conference, in Bogotá, Republic of Colombia, 16 July 2025, Department of International Relations & Cooperation (Cape Town) 16 July 2025. Access Date: 24 August 2025. <https://dirco.gov.za/press-release-by-the-hague-group-states-announce-unprecedented-measures-to-halt-the-gaza-genocide-at-the-bogota-conference-in-bogota-republic-of-colombia-16-july-2025/>

³²⁷² Minister Maropene Ramakgopa: 4th G20 meeting of the Development Working Group, Republic of South Africa (Pretoria) 21 July 2025. Access Date: 25 September 2025. <https://www.gov.za/news/speeches/minister-maropene-ramakgopa-4th-g20-meeting-development-working-group-21-jul-2025>

³²⁷³ South Africa, UN trade agency to host first-ever ministerial for small businesses, United Nations South Africa (Pretoria) 30 May 2025. Access Date: 26 September 2025. <https://southafrica.un.org/en/296371-south-africa-un-trade-agency-host-first-ever-ministerial-small-businesses>

³²⁷⁴ Minister Maropene Ramokgopa addresses United Nations Sustainable Development Cooperation Framework (UNSDCF) Strategic Prioritisation Retreat, 29 Jul, Republic of South Africa (Pretoria) 28 July 2025. Access Date: 25 September 2025. <https://www.gov.za/news/media-advisories/government-activities/minister-maropene-ramokgopa-addresses-united-nations>

³²⁷⁵ Minister Sindisiwe Chikunga: G20 Women to Africa, South African Government (Johannesburg) 29 August 2025. Access Date: 20 October 2025. <https://www.gov.za/news/speeches/minister-sindisiwe-chikunga-g20-women-africa-29-aug-2025>

³²⁷⁶ President Cyril Ramaphosa: Extraordinary BRICS leaders meeting, South African Government (Cape Town) 8 September 2025. Access Date: 20 October 2025. <https://www.gov.za/news/speeches/president-cyril-ramaphosa-extraordinary-brics-leaders-meeting-08-sep-2025>

³²⁷⁷ Statement by President Cyril Ramaphosa on the occasion of the General Debate of the 80th Session of the United Nations General Assembly, United Nations (New York) 23 September 2025. Access Date: 10 October 2025. <https://dirco.gov.za/statement-by-president-cyril-ramaphosa-on-the-occasion-of-the-general-debate-of-the-80th-session-of-the-united-nations-general-assembly-united-nations-new-york-23-september-2025>

On 25 September 2025, Minister Lamola, in his closing remarks for the second G20 Foreign Ministers' Meeting, restated the importance of reforming international financial institutions, which was discussed extensively by the Foreign Ministers in the meeting.³²⁷⁸

On 26 September 2025, DIRCO published the BRICS Foreign Ministers Joint Media Statement, in which ministers addressed UN reform and revamping the UN security council to better contemporary relations.³²⁷⁹

On 9 October 2025, President Ramaphosa reaffirmed South Africa and the EU's working relationship, as well as their shared commitment towards multilateralism, UN reform as well as protecting and upholding the principles of the UN Charter such as human rights, sustainability and peace.³²⁸⁰

On 9 October 2025, President Ramaphosa spoke about the need to cooperate on the reform of international financial institutions to be more effective against current challenges at the Global Gateway Forum held in Brussels, Belgium.³²⁸¹

On 23 October 2025, South Africa issued a statement in response to the International Court of Justice's (ICJ) findings on Israel's obligations with respect to the Occupied Palestinian Territory.³²⁸² The statement reaffirmed South Africa's support for bolstering UN humanitarian operations.

On 30 October 2025, the Department of International Relations and Cooperation (DIRCO) in partnership with the University of South Africa hosted a G20 Townhall Outreach Programme under the theme of "Inclusive Economic Growth and Just Transition for Sustainable Societal Development" to engage civil society groups, academic, businesses and communities in global economic decisions.³²⁸³ This initiative enhances the institutional representativeness of the G20.

South Africa has partially complied with its commitment to work for a reinvigorated and strengthened multilateral system, rooted in the purposes and principles of the UN Charter and international law. South Africa has taken strong action in advancing the institutional effectiveness of UNGA in through voting in favour of an UNGA resolution which reiterated the purpose of the UN to "maintain international peace and security and to peacefully settle disputes" as outlined in the UN Charter. It has also taken moderate action to reform other relevant international organizations including the G20 and ASEAN through reiterating its commitment to bolstering their institutional representativeness, effectiveness and accountability and transparency. However, South Africa has not taken strong action to reform international organizations, nor has it taken actions in the areas of institutional representativeness and institutional transparency and accountability.

³²⁷⁸ Minister Ronald Lamola: Closing remarks at Second G20 Foreign Ministers' Meeting, South African Government (New York) 25 September 2025. Access Date: 20 October 2025. <https://www.gov.za/news/speeches/minister-ronald-lamola-closing-remarks-second-g20-foreign-ministers%E2%80%99-meeting-25-sep>

³²⁷⁹ DIRCO: Meeting of BRICS Ministers of Foreign Affairs/International Relations on the margins of 80th Session of the United Nations General Assembly BRICS Joint Media Statement, Department of International Relations and Cooperation (Johannesburg) 26 September 2025. Access Date: 10 October 2025. <https://dirco.gov.za/meeting-of-brics-ministers-of-foreign-affairs-international-relations-on-the-margins-of-80th-session-of-the-united-nations-general-assembly-brics-joint-media-statement-26-september-2025/>

³²⁸⁰ President Cyril Ramaphosa: Media briefing on working visit to European Union, Brussels, Belgium, South African Government (Brussels) 9 October 2025. Access Date: 20 October 2025. <https://www.gov.za/news/media-statements/president-cyril-ramaphosa-media-briefing-working-visit-european-union>

³²⁸¹ Address by President Cyril Ramaphosa to the Global Gateway Forum, Brussels, Belgium, South African Government (Brussels) 9 October 2025. Access Date: 20 October 2025. <https://www.gov.za/news/speeches/president-cyril-ramaphosa-global-gateway-forum-brussels-belgium-09-oct-2025>

³²⁸² The ICJ's findings underscore that there is no legal ambiguity regarding Israel's obligations, Department of International Relations & Cooperation (Pretoria) 23 October 2025. Access Date: 30 October 2025. <https://dirco.gov.za/the-icjs-findings-underscore-that-there-is-no-legal-ambiguity-regarding-israels-obligations/>

³²⁸³ DIRCO, UNISA and Rustenburg Municipality to host a G20 Townhall Outreach Programme, Department of International Relations & Cooperation (Pretoria) 29 October 2025. Access Date: 5 November 2025. <https://dirco.gov.za/dirco-unisa-and-rustenburg-municipality-to-host-a-g20-townhall-outreach-programme/>

Thus, South Africa receives a score of 0.

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Türkiye: +1

Türkiye has fully complied with its commitment to work for a reinvigorated and strengthened multilateral system, rooted in the purposes and principles of the United Nations Charter and international law, with renewed institutions and a reformed governance that is more representative, effective, transparent and accountable, reflecting the social, economic and political realities of the 21st century.

On 6 December 2024, the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) allies including Türkiye released a joint statement to the Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe (OSCE) on Russia's invasion of Ukraine where members reaffirmed their commitment to maintaining channels of communication to "to manage and mitigate risk, prevent escalation and build trust and confidence" and align with the principles of transparency at the OSCE Ministerial Council.³²⁸⁴

On 17 February 2025, Türkiye signed a USD5 billion memorandum of understanding with Asian Infrastructure Development Bank to finance public-sector sustainability and green developmental projects.³²⁸⁵ This action strengthens effective and inclusive international financial institutions and directly fulfills the G20 Rio commitment of institutional reform that promotes sustainable development through multilateral cooperation.

On 19 February 2025, Türkiye's Permanent Representative to the United Nations Ambassador Ahmet Yıldız reiterated its call for reforming the UN Security Council (UNSC) to be more democratic, accountable, and representative at a high-level UNSC meeting on multilateralism and global governance reform.³²⁸⁶ Ambassador Yıldız reaffirmed the importance of the UN and its bodies in the international order and the need to include more countries.

On 24 February 2025, Türkiye reaffirmed its support for multilateral diplomacy and a rules-based international order at the G20 Foreign Ministers' Meeting.³²⁸⁷ Türkiye emphasized the need for UN reform and more equitable representation for developing countries and demonstrated commitment to building more representative global institutions.

On 10 April 2025, Minister of Foreign Affairs Hakan Fidan hosted the Arab-Islamic ministerial committee meeting for the Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) and the Arab League Ministerial Committee.³²⁸⁸ This demonstrates Türkiye's commitment to bolstering the institutional effectiveness and representativeness of the OIC through fostering multilateral dialogue.

On 11 April 2025, Minister Fidan and the Ministers of Foreign Affairs and Representatives of the Ministerial Committee on Gaza of the League of Arab States and , and the Representatives of Ireland, Norway, China and Russia released a joint statement on the Israeli-Palestinian conflict where they reiterated their support for the

³²⁸⁴ Thirty-First Meeting of the OSCE Ministerial Council, Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe (Malta) 6 December 2024. Access Date: 30 June 2025. <https://www.osce.org/files/f/documents/3/9/582397.pdf>

³²⁸⁵ AIIB and Türkiye Formalize Strategic Partnership for Green and Resilient Infrastructure, Asian Infrastructure Development Bank (Beijing) 17 February 2025. Access Date: 9 April 2025. <https://www.aiib.org/en/news-events/news/2025/aiib-turkiye-formalize-strategic-partnership-green-resilient-infrastructure.html>

³²⁸⁶ Türkiye calls for 'democratic' and 'accountable' UN Security Council reform, Türkiye Today (Istanbul) 19 February 2025. Access Date: 20 May 2025. <https://www.turkiyetoday.com/turkiye/turkiye-calls-for-democratic-and-accountable-un-security-council-reform-121340/>

³²⁸⁷ Interview of H.E. Hakan Fidan, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Bloomberg TV, Republic of Türkiye Ministry of Foreign Affairs (Ankara) 24 February 2025. Access Date: 28 April 2025. <https://www.mfa.gov.tr/sayin-bakanimizin-bloomberg-tv-mulakati-24-subat-2025.tr.mfa>

³²⁸⁸ Arab-Islamic ministerial committee to meet in Türkiye for 'lasting peace in Middle East' meeting, Anadolu Ajansı (Ankara) 10 April 2025. Access Date: 21 June 2025. <https://www.aa.com.tr/en/middle-east/arab-islamic-ministerial-committee-to-meet-in-turkiye-for-lasting-peace-in-middle-east-meeting/3534467#>

United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees (UNRWA) and ongoing collaboration with the UN and other international organizations.³²⁸⁹ The ministers further reiterated their commitment to bolstering international efforts through upholding international law and the efforts of the UN. This demonstrates Türkiye's commitment to bolstering the UN's institutional effectiveness.

On 13 April 2025, President Recep Tayyip Erdoğan used the Antalya Diplomacy Forum to call for reform of the international system and emphasized the need for a more representative UNSC.³²⁹⁰

On 14 May 2025, Minister Fidan hosted the Informal Meeting of NATO Ministers of Foreign Affairs.³²⁹¹ The meeting aims to provide a platform to discuss areas to strengthen "Allied deterrence and defence."³²⁹² This demonstrates Türkiye's commitment to bolstering the institutional representativeness and effectiveness of NATO.

On 2 July 2025, Türkiye reaffirmed its commitment to international cooperation and the principles of UNESCO for maritime resource and environment management upon re-election to the Executive Council of the Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission (UNESCO/IOC).³²⁹³

On 28 July 2025, Türkiye and Ireland co-chaired the working group, "Preserving the Two-State Solution," during the UN "High-level International Conference for the Peaceful Settlement of the Question of Palestine and the Implementation of the Two-State Solution."³²⁹⁴ The high-level plenary meeting and working groups facilitated discussions and consensus-building on concrete steps for international engagement and humanitarian action. This demonstrates Türkiye's commitment to bolstering the institutional effectiveness of the UN.

On 15 August 2025, Türkiye reaffirmed its commitment to the UN Charter, specifically Article 2, paragraph 4, which is the prohibition on the use of force and condemned the actions of Israel in the Palestinian territory, aligning with Türkiye's commitment to the UN and UNSC.³²⁹⁵

On 20 September 2025, Communications Chief Burhanettin Duran delivered remarks at the Turkevi Centre panel "Search for Justice in the International System" to call for the reform of the UN to curtail its veto power and expand its representation.³²⁹⁶

³²⁸⁹ Joint Statement of Antalya Ministerial Meeting for the Implementation of the Two-State Solution and Lasting Peace in the Middle East, 11 April 2025, Republic of Türkiye Ministry of Foreign Affairs (Ankara) 11 April 2025. Access Date: 21 June 2025. <https://www.mfa.gov.tr/joint-statement-of-antalya-ministerial-meeting-for-the-implementation-of-the-two-state-solution-and-lasting-peace-in-the-middle-east--11-april-2025.en.mfa>

³²⁹⁰ Antalya Diplomacy Forum 2025: A Platform for a Multipolar World Order, SETA (Antalya) 16 April 2025. Access Date: 15 July 2025. <https://www.setav.org/en/opinion/antalya-diplomacy-forum-2025-a-platform-for-a-multipolar-world-order>

³²⁹¹ No: 103, 13 May 2025, Regarding the Informal Meeting of NATO Ministers of Foreign Affairs, Republic of Türkiye Ministry of Foreign Affairs (Ankara) 13 May 2025. Access Date: 18 June 2025. https://www.mfa.gov.tr/no_-103_-nato-disisleri-bakanlari-gayriresmi-toplantisi-hk.en.mfa

³²⁹² NATO Foreign Ministers meet to prepare the Summit in The Hague, North Atlantic Treaty Organization (Brussels) 15 May 2025. Access Date: 18 June 2025. https://www.nato.int/cps/en/natohq/news_235113.htm.

³²⁹³ No: 134, 2 July 2025, Regarding Türkiye's Re-election to the Executive Council of the Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission of UNESCO, Republic of Türkiye Ministry of Foreign Affairs (Ankara) 2 July 2025. Access Date: 24 August 2025. https://www.mfa.gov.tr/no_-134_-turkiye-nin-unesco-hukumetlerarası-osinografi-komisyonu-yurutme-konseyi-uyeligine-yeniden-secilmesi-hk.en.mfa

³²⁹⁴ High-level International Conference for the Peaceful Settlement of the Question of Palestine and the Implementation of the Two-State Solution, United Nations (New York) n.d. Access Date: 25 September 2025. <https://www.un.org/unispal/high-level-conference-two-state-solution-july2025>

³²⁹⁵ Joint Statement by the Foreign Ministers of 31 Arab and Islamic Countries and the Secretaries-General of the League of Arab States, the Organization of Islamic Cooperation, and the Gulf Cooperation Council, 15 August 2025, Republic of Türkiye Ministry of Foreign Affairs (Ankara) 15 August 2025. Access Date: 24 August 2025. <https://www.mfa.gov.tr/joint-statement-15-august-2025.en.mfa>

³²⁹⁶ Türkiye's calls for reforms have become voice of oppressed, global conscience' Anadolu Agency (Antalya) 20 September 2025. Access Date: 10 October 2025. <https://www.aa.com.tr/en/turkiye/turkiye-s-calls-for-reforms-have-become-voice-of-oppressed-global-conscience-communications-chief/3693550>

On 22 October 2025, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs released a statement regarding the advisory opinion of the International Court of Justice (ICJ) on the “Obligations of Israel in Relation to the Presence and Activities of the UN, Other International Organizations and Third States in and in Relation to the Occupied Palestinian Territory.”³²⁹⁷ Türkiye reiterated its commitment to supporting the ICJ’s position and efforts to ensure the implementation of legal order and accountable mechanisms for Israel’s violations of international law.

Türkiye has fully complied with its commitment to work for a reinvigorated and strengthened multilateral system, rooted in the purposes and principles of the UN Charter and international law. Türkiye has taken strong action to bolster the institutional effectiveness of international organizations through a funding scheme. Türkiye has also taken moderate action to advance institutional representation and effectiveness through verbal affirmations and hosting multilateral meetings.

Thus, Türkiye receives a score of +1.

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United Kingdom: 0

The United Kingdom has partially complied with its commitment to work for a reinvigorated and strengthened multilateral system, rooted in the purposes and principles of the United Nations Charter and international law, with renewed institutions and a reformed governance that is more representative, effective, transparent and accountable, reflecting the social, economic and political realities of the 21st century.

On 21 November 2024, the government pledged up to GBP310 million in flexible, multi-year core funding to the World Health Organization (WHO) as part of its first Investment Round.³²⁹⁸ This funding supports the WHO’s 14th General Programme of Work and its internal “Transformation Agenda,” including reforms aimed at improving operational agility, transparency and global health responsiveness. Minister for Development at the Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office for Women and Equalities at the Department for Education Anneliese Dodds described the pledge as an investment towards making WHO stronger and more effective, underscoring the UK’s support for transparent and accountable multilateral health governance.

On 28 November 2024, the UK announced a GBP1.98 billion pledge to the World Bank’s International Development Association (IDA) for the 2025–2027 cycle.³²⁹⁹ This represents a 40 per cent increase over the UK’s previous contribution and restores the UK as a leading IDA donor. In negotiations, the UK also successfully introduced the first-ever “water security” performance target into IDA’s results framework, ensuring measurable progress on clean water and sanitation in the world’s poorest countries. These actions advance both financial effectiveness and outcome-based accountability within multilateral development institutions.

On 6 December 2024, the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) allies including the United Kingdom released a joint statement to the Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe (OSCE) on Russia’s invasion of Ukraine where members reaffirmed their commitment to maintaining channels of communication to “to manage and mitigate risk, prevent escalation and build trust and confidence” and align with the principles of transparency at the OSCE Ministerial Council.³³⁰⁰

³²⁹⁷ No: 212, 22 October 2025, Regarding the Advisory Opinion of the International Court of Justice, Republic of Türkiye Ministry of Foreign Affairs (Ankara) 22 October 2025. Access Date: 5 November 2025. https://www.mfa.gov.tr/no_-212_-uluslararasi-adalet-divani-nin-istisari-gorusu-hk.en.mfa

³²⁹⁸ World Health Organization Investment Round, United Kingdom Parliament (London) 21 November 2024. Access Date: 30 April 2025. <https://questions-statements.parliament.uk/written-statements/detail/2024-11-21/hcws243>

³²⁹⁹ The United Kingdom Announces Early and Increased Pledge to IDA21, The World Bank (London) 29 November 2024. Access Date: 30 April 2025. <https://www.worldbank.org/en/news/press-release/2024/11/29/united-kingdom-increased-pledge-to-ida21>

³³⁰⁰ NATO Allies: Joint statement to the OSCE Ministerial Council 2024, Government of the United Kingdom (London) 6 December 2024. Access Date: 30 June 2025. <https://www.gov.uk/government/speeches/nato-allies-joint-statement-to-the-osce-ministerial-council-2024>

On 9 December 2024, Deputy Permanent Representative to the UN James Kariuki stated the importance of strengthening coordinated humanitarian assistance of the UN with a focus on funding, the international architecture to predict and prevent crises and aligning political and diplomatic priorities.³³⁰¹ This demonstrates the UK's commitment to bolstering the institutional effectiveness of the UN's humanitarian activities.

On 19 December 2024, Ambassador Kariuki voted in favour of a resolution on the "Request for an advisory opinion of the internal Court of Justice on the obligations of Israel in relation to the presence and activities of the United Nations, other international organizations and third States."³³⁰² This demonstrates the UK's commitment to strengthening the institutional effectiveness of the UN system and upholding international law and rules-based order.³³⁰³

On 15 January 2025, Permanent Representative to the United Nations Ambassador Barbara Woodward stressed the importance of upholding the rule of law and facilitating cooperation and peace at the UN during the United Nations General Assembly (UNGA) briefing on 2025 priorities.³³⁰⁴ Ambassador Woodward reiterated the UK's commitment to fulfilling their responsibilities as a Permanent Member of the UN Security Council (UNSC) in enhancing meaningful participation in peace and decision-making processes in line with the Women, Peace and Security (WPS) agenda. Ambassador Woodward also underscored the importance of bolstering the institutional representativeness of the UN. She reiterated the UK's commitment to revitalizing UNGA and reforming the UNSC.

On 17 January 2025, Ambassador Woodward commended efforts of the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon (UNIFIL) in maintaining transparent operational activities and supported the UNIFIL's role at the UNSC meeting on the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force and the UNIFIL.³³⁰⁵

On 21 January 2025, Ambassador to the General Assembly Archie Young committed to defending freedoms and civic space within the UN system and support the decision-making capacity of the UN at the opening session of the UN Committee on Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs).³³⁰⁶ Ambassador Young called on increased meaningful civil society inclusion in UN operations. This demonstrates the UK's commitment to bolstering the institutional representativeness of the UN.

³³⁰¹ We must focus our diplomatic efforts on resolving crises and protecting the most vulnerable: UK statement at the UN General Assembly, Government of the United Kingdom (London) 9 December 2024. Access Date: 30 June 2025. <https://www.gov.uk/government/speeches/we-must-focus-our-diplomatic-efforts-on-resolving-crisis-and-protecting-the-most-vulnerable-uk-statement-at-the-un-general-assembly>

³³⁰² Request for an advisory opinion of the International Court of Justice on the obligations of Israel in relation to the presence and activities of the United Nations, other international organizations and third States – GA draft Resolution (A/79/L.28/Rev.1) – Revised (Adopted on 19 Dec 2024), United Nations General Assembly (New York) 12 December 2024. Access Date: 30 June 2025. <https://www.un.org/unispal/document/request-for-an-advisory-opinion-icj-12dec24/>

³³⁰³ The UK voted in favour of this resolution in line with our strong commitment to the international rule of law: UK statement in the UN General Assembly, Government of the United Kingdom (London) 19 December 2024. Access Date: 30 June 2025. <https://www.gov.uk/government/speeches/the-uk-voted-in-favour-of-this-resolution-in-line-with-our-strong-commitment-to-the-international-rule-of-law-uk-statement-in-the-un-general-assembly>

³³⁰⁴ 2025 should be a year of progress and reform, in the service of the rule of law, cooperation and peace: UK Statement at the UN General Assembly, Government of the United Kingdom (London) 15 January 2025. Access Date: 30 June 2025. <https://www.gov.uk/government/speeches/2025-should-be-a-year-of-progress-and-reform-in-the-service-of-the-rule-of-law-cooperation-and-peace-uk-statement-at-the-un-general-assembly>

³³⁰⁵ The UK will continue to support UNIFIL's essential role in maintaining calm along the Blue Line: UK statement at the UN Security Council, Government of the United Kingdom (London) 17 January 2025. Access Date: 30 June 2025. <https://www.gov.uk/government/speeches/the-uk-will-continue-to-support-unifils-essential-role-in-maintaining-calm-along-the-blue-line-uk-statement-at-the-un-security-council>

³³⁰⁶ The UK is committed to defending fundamental freedoms and civic space including within the UN: UK statement at the UN NGO Committee, Government of United Kingdom (London) 21 January 2025. Access Date: 30 June 2025. <https://www.gov.uk/government/speeches/the-uk-is-committed-to-defending-fundamental-freedoms-and-civic-space-including-within-the-un-uk-statement-at-the-un-ngo-committee>

On 21 January 2025, Ambassador Kariuki stated the importance of collaboration between UN agencies, regional organizations, governments and civil society organizations in Africa to address the threat of terrorism and bolster security interventions at the UNSC meeting on Counterterrorism in Africa.³³⁰⁷ This demonstrates the UK's commitment to bolstering the institutional representativeness and effectiveness of the UN in counterterrorism efforts.

On 23 January 2025, Ambassador Kariuki committed to supporting coordination between UN and the League of Arab States (LAS) on issues related to international peace and regional security and development at the UNSC meeting on cooperation between the UN and the LAS.³³⁰⁸ This demonstrates the UK's commitment to bolstering the institutional effectiveness and representativeness of the UN and the LAS.

On 23 January 2025, Ambassador Kariuki highlighted the role of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA) in supporting essential services during the UNSC meeting on Children in Gaza.³³⁰⁹ Ambassador Kariuki called on the Council to support the UNRWA in delivering essential education and healthcare services.

On 27 January 2025, Ambassador Kariuki highlighted the function of the role of the International Criminal Court (ICC) in holding perpetrators accountable for war crimes committed in Darfur, Sudan, at the UNSC Meeting on the ICC's investigations in Sudan.³³¹⁰ Ambassador Kariuki welcomed the establishment of "structured dialogue between the Office of the Prosecutor and Civil Society Organisation" to bolster institutional representativeness and institutional transparency and accountability.

On 30 January 2025, Head of the United Kingdom's Delegation to the organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe (OSCE) Neil Holland underscored the UK's commitment to collective action and strengthening democracy.³³¹¹ Ambassador Holland further reiterated the importance of leveraging the capabilities of the OSCE in strengthening democracy through election monitoring and supporting OSCE members in meeting their commitments.

On 18 February 2025, Ambassador Kariuki the importance of bolstering UN Peacekeeping Operations through implementing contingency plans, improving intelligence and communications and countering disinformation and misinformation at the Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations (C-34).³³¹² This demonstrates the UK's commitment to supporting the institutional effectiveness of the UN.

³³⁰⁷ The UK is committed to working with African partners to build resilience against threats from terrorism: UK statement at the UN Security Council, Government of the United Kingdom (London) <https://www.gov.uk/government/speeches/the-uk-is-committed-to-defending-fundamental-freedoms-and-civic-space-including-within-the-un-uk-statement-at-the-un-ngo-committee>

³³⁰⁸ The UK will continue to champion coordination between the UN and LAS: UK statement at the UN Security Council, Government of the United Kingdom (London) 23 January 2025. Access Date: 30 June 2025. <https://www.gov.uk/government/speeches/the-uk-will-continue-to-champion-coordination-between-the-un-and-las-uk-statement-at-the-un-security-council>

³³⁰⁹ UNRWA plays a crucial role in delivering essential services like education and healthcare: UK statement at the UN Security Council, Government of the United Kingdom (London) 23 January 2025. Access Date: 30 June 2025. <https://www.gov.uk/government/speeches/unrwa-plays-a-crucial-role-in-delivering-essential-services-like-education-and-healthcare-uk-statement-at-the-un-security-council>

³³¹⁰ The ICC has a key role in ensuring perpetrators are held accountable for crimes committed in Darfur: UK statement at the UN Security Council, Government of the United Kingdom (London) 27 January 2025. Access Date: 30 June 2025. <https://www.gov.uk/government/speeches/the-icc-has-a-key-role-in-ensuring-perpetrators-are-held-accountable-for-crimes-committed-in-darfur-uk-statement-at-the-un-security-council>

³³¹¹ Head of the United Kingdom's Delegation to the organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe (OSCE) Neil Holland, Government of the United Kingdom (London) 30 January 2025. Access Date: 30 June 2025. <https://www.gov.uk/government/speeches/uk-response-to-the-president-of-the-osce-parliamentary-assembly-uk-statement-to-the-osce-january-2025--4>

³³¹² Peacekeeping is one of the UN's most valuable tools to support global peace and security: UK statement on Peacekeeping Operations, Government of the United Kingdom (London) 18 February 2025. Access Date: 30 June 2025. <https://www.gov.uk/government/speeches/peacekeeping-is-one-of-the-uns-most-valuable-tools-to-support-global-peace-and-security-uk-statement-on-peacekeeping-operations>

On 18 February 2025, Ambassador Woodward reiterated the country's deep support for reforming UNSC membership at the UNSC meeting on practicing multilateralism and reforming and improving governance.³³¹³

On 20 February 2025, Foreign Secretary David Lammy reiterated the importance of upholding international law and the principles of the UN Charter with regards to global geopolitical challenges at the G20 Foreign Ministerial Meeting in South Africa.³³¹⁴

On 27 February 2025, Minister Counsellor Fergus Eckersley reiterated the UK's commitment to bolstering the United Nations Police (UNPOL) capabilities to facilitate peace and security, while addressing emerging challenges.³³¹⁵

On 14 March 2025, Ambassador Neil Holland reiterated the UK's support for the OSCE's human dimension commitments on human rights violations committed by Russia and Belarus.³³¹⁶ Ambassador Holland stated the importance of addressing ongoing human rights challenges, upholding the rule of law, renewed partnerships and a commitment to openness towards civil society.

On 14 March 2025, G7 Foreign Ministers released the G7 Foreign Ministers' Declaration on Maritime Security and Prosperity.³³¹⁷ The ministers reaffirmed the G7's commitment to "a free, open, and secure maritime domain based on the rule of law that strengthens international security, fosters economic prosperity, and ensures the sustainable use of marine resources." The ministers also reiterated their commitment to tackling the "Emerging Threat on Safe Seas and Freedom of Navigation and Overflight," "Safe Shipping and Supply Chain Security," "Sustainable Stewardship of Maritime Resources" and partnerships. This reflects their commitment to promoting dialogue between G7 members and stakeholders and bolstering the institutional effectiveness on matters related to maritime security and prosperity. They also released a joint statement that reaffirmed G7 support for "Ukraine's long-term prosperity and security," "Regional peace and stability in the Middle East," "Cooperation to increase security and resilience across the Indo-Pacific," "Building stability and resilience in Haiti and Venezuela," "Supporting lasting peace in Sudan and the Democratic Republic of the Congo" and "Strengthening sanctions and countering hybrid warfare and sabotage."³³¹⁸ The joint statement reflects the G7's commitment to strengthening the institutional effectiveness of the G7.

On 24 March 2025, Ambassador Woodward reiterated the UK's support for UN peace operations and areas of adaptation during a UNSC meeting on UN peace operations.³³¹⁹ Ambassador Woodward highlighted three areas to strengthen peacekeeping efforts: 1) adapting peace operations to the political and security contexts informed by local realities and communities, 2) equipping peace operations to address modern challenges to

³³¹³ The United Kingdom remains deeply committed to the United Nations: UK statement at the UN Security Council, Government of the United Kingdom (London) 18 February 2025. Access Date: 20 May 2025. <https://www.gov.uk/government/speeches/the-united-kingdom-remains-deeply-committed-to-the-united-nations-uk-statement-at-the-un-security-council>

³³¹⁴ The Global Geopolitical Situation: Foreign Secretary's speech at the G20 in South Africa, Government of the United Kingdom (London) 20 February 2025. Access Date: 30 June 2025. <https://www.gov.uk/government/speeches/the-global-geopolitical-situation-foreign-secretary-speech-at-g20-south-africa>

³³¹⁵ We must ensure UN policing has the capabilities it needs to effectively deliver mandates and tackle emerging challenges: UK statement at the UN Security Council, Government of the United Kingdom (London) 27 February 2025. Access Date: 28 June 2025. <https://www.gov.uk/government/speeches/we-must-ensure-un-policing-has-the-capabilities-it-needs-to-effectively-deliver-mandates-and-tackle-emerging-challenges-uk-statement-at-the-un-security-council>

³³¹⁶ Report by the Director of the OSCE's Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights (ODIHR): UK response, March 2025, Government of the United Kingdom (London) 14 March 2025. Access Date: 28 June 2025. <https://www.gov.uk/government/speeches/report-by-the-director-of-the-osces-office-for-democratic-institutions-and-human-rights-odihr-uk-response-march-2025>

³³¹⁷ G7 Foreign Ministers' Declaration on Maritime Security and Prosperity, G7 Information Centre (Charlevoix) 14 March 2025. Access Date: 11 June 2025. <https://www.g7.utoronto.ca/foreign/250314-declaration.html>

³³¹⁸ Joint statement of the G7 Foreign Ministers' Meeting in Charlevoix, G7 Information Centre (Charlevoix) 14 March 2025. Access Date: 11 June 2025. <https://www.g7.utoronto.ca/foreign/250314-statement.html>

³³¹⁹ UN peace operations need to become more agile and responsive to remain effective: UK statement at the UN Security Council, Government of the United Kingdom (London) 24 March 2025. Access Date: 28 June 2025. <https://www.gov.uk/government/speeches/un-peace-operations-need-to-become-more-agile-and-responsive-to-remain-effective-uk-statement-at-the-un-security-council>

security including misinformation and technological innovations through leveraging intelligence, digital tools and “data-driven decision-making” and 3) fostering regional, national and global collaboration with organizations, civil society and across the UN system to improve the service delivery of UN peace operations. This demonstrates the UK’s commitment to bolstering the UN’s institutional effectiveness and representativeness.

On 26 March 2025, Ambassador Kariuki reiterated the UK’s commitment to upholding the principles of the UN Charter with regards to peace and security in Ukraine during a UNSC Meeting.³³²⁰

On 3 April 2025, Foreign Secretary Lammy reiterated the UK’s support for the NATO Alliance and the need to bolster the institutional capacity of NATO through collective defence spending to address shared security threats.³³²¹

On 8 April 2025, Minister Counsellor Eckersley reiterated the UK’s support for UN peacekeeping and key functions including implementing and monitoring ceasefires at the UNSC meeting on UN peacekeeping operations.³³²² This demonstrates the UK’s commitment to bolstering the institutional effectiveness of the UN.

On 29 April 2025, UK Spokesperson to the UN Letisha Lunin stated the importance of protecting the integrity of the UN amid disinformation about Peacekeeping operations and committed to support the UN’s Mis and Disinformation in Peacekeeping Settings Project.³³²³ This demonstrates the UK’s commitment to reinforcing the institutional transparency and accountability of UN Peacekeeping operations.

On 7 May 2025, Foreign Secretary Lammy proposed convening a global conference in Autumn 2025 to reform the international aid architecture.³³²⁴ This conference aims to address the strategic use of limited aid funds and respond to significant US-led cuts to international aid and the UN budget and seeks to ensure that multilateral aid institutions like the UN remain effective and representative.

On 7 May 2025, Ambassador Kariuki reiterated the UK’s commitment to the principles of international peace and security and the UN Charter at the UN General Assembly meeting.³³²⁵ This demonstrates the UK’s commitment to maintaining the institutional effectiveness of the UN.

On 13 May 2025, Ambassador Woodward refused to “support any model” that undermines the operations and capacity of the UN in its ability to operate independent of political or military objectives in a joint statement

³³²⁰ We must have enduring peace in Ukraine, which ensures Ukraine’s future security and upholds the UN Charter: UK statement at the UN Security Council, Government of the United Kingdom (London) 26 March 2025. Access Date: 28 June 2025.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/speeches/we-must-have-enduring-peace-in-ukraine-which-ensures-ukraines-future-security-and-upholds-the-un-charter-uk-statement-at-the-un-security-council>

³³²¹ NATO must be ‘stronger, fairer, and more lethal’ Foreign Secretary to say, Government of the United Kingdom (London) 3 April 2025. Access Date: 28 June 2025. <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/nato-must-be-stronger-fairer-and-more-lethal-foreign-secretary-to-say>

³³²² The UK remains a steadfast supporter of UN peacekeeping as a vital tool in global peace and security: UK statement at the UN Security Council, Government of the United Kingdom (London) 8 April 2025. Access Date: 28 June 2025. <https://www.gov.uk/government/speeches/the-uk-remains-a-steadfast-supporter-of-un-peacekeeping-as-a-vital-tool-in-global-peace-and-security-uk-statement-at-the-un-security-council>

³³²³ The UK is committed to doing all we can to protect information integrity with a human rights-based approach: UK statement at the UN, Government of the United Kingdom (London) 29 April 2025. Access Date: 24 June 2025. <https://www.gov.uk/government/speeches/the-uk-is-committed-to-doing-all-we-can-to-protect-information-integrity-with-a-human-rights-based-approach-uk-statement-at-the-un>

³³²⁴ Conversation on future of aid long overdue’: UK looks to lead response to swingeing US cuts, The Guardian (London) 7 May 2025. Access Date: 8 May 2025. <https://www.theguardian.com/global-development/2025/may/07/conversation-on-future-of-aid-long-overdue-uk-looks-to-lead-response-to-swinging-us-cuts>

³³²⁵ The UK will continue to pay tribute to the victims of war by pressing for a just and lasting peace in response to conflicts around the world: UK Statement at the UN General Assembly, Government of the United Kingdom (London) 7 May 2025. Access Date: 24 June 2025. <https://www.gov.uk/government/speeches/the-uk-will-continue-to-pay-tribute-to-the-victims-of-war-by-pressing-for-a-just-and-lasting-peace-in-response-to-conflicts-around-the-world-uk-statement>

delivered at a UNSC meeting.³³²⁶ This demonstrates the UK's commitment to maintaining the institutional effectiveness and transparency and accountability of the UN in its humanitarian activities in Gaza.

On 15 May 2025, Minister for the Armed Forces Luke Pollard committed over GBP1 million to international programmes to enhance institutional accountability and bolster the UN's capacity in delivering peacekeeping operations during the UN Peacekeeping Ministerial summit.³³²⁷

On 15 May 2025, Foreign Secretary Lammy committed to strengthening Euro-Atlantic security during the NATO informal Foreign Ministers Meeting in Antalya.³³²⁸ The meeting provided an opportunity for NATO Foreign Ministers to reaffirm the Alliance's support for Ukraine and to secure the Euro-Atlantic through bolstering the institutional capacity of NATO.

On 20 May 2025, Ambassador Kariuki reiterated the UK's commitment to partnering with NATO and strengthening collaboration with the UNSC at a UNSC meeting on maritime security.³³²⁹

On 21 May 2025, the UK's Permanent Representative to the World Trade Organization (WTO) and the UN Simon Manley reiterated the UK's support for the World Health Organization (WHO) to advance its institutional effectiveness and global health initiatives.³³³⁰

On 22 May 2025, Ambassador Kariuki called on the UNSC to leverage its tools to protect civilians in armed conflict at a UNSC Meeting.³³³¹ Further, he reiterated the UK's support to working with the UNSC and other relevant international organizations.

On 28 May 2025, Ambassador Kariuki reiterated the UK's support for the UN, the UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs and all aid agencies at the UNSC Meeting.³³³²

On 29 May 2025, Australia, Canada, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, Netherlands, New Zealand, South Korea, the United Kingdom and the United States as a part of the Multilateral Sanctions Monitoring Team issued a joint statement on unlawful military cooperation between North Korea and Russia, in violation of UNSC

³³²⁶ Humanitarian aid must never be used as a political tool or military tactic: Joint statement on the humanitarian situation in Gaza, Government of the United Kingdom (London) 13 May 2025. Access Date: 24 June 2025. <https://www.gov.uk/government/speeches/humanitarian-aid-must-never-be-used-as-a-political-tool-or-military-tactic-joint-statement-on-the-humanitarian-situation-in-gaza>

³³²⁷ UK reaffirms commitment to UN peacekeeping operations as Minister announces new funding for programmes, Government of the United Kingdom (London) 15 May 2025. Access Date: 24 June 2025. <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/uk-reaffirms-commitment-to-un-peacekeeping-operations-as-minister-announces-new-funding-for-programmes>

³³²⁸ UK at heart of NATO talks on strengthening Euro-Atlantic security and support for Ukraine, Government of the United Kingdom (London) 15 May 2025. Access Date: 21 June 2025. <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/uk-at-heart-of-nato-talks-on-strengthening-euro-atlantic-security-and-support-for-ukraine>

³³²⁹ Global action is needed to tackle the growing threats that face our seas, people and shared prosperity: UK statement at the UN Security Council, Government of the United Kingdom (London) 20 May 2025. Access Date: 21 June 2025. <https://www.gov.uk/government/speeches/global-action-is-needed-to-tackle-the-growing-threats-that-face-our-seas-people-and-shared-prosperity-uk-statement-at-the-un-security-council>

³³³⁰ 78th World Health Assembly: UK National Statement, Government of the United Kingdom (London) 21 May 2025. Access Date: 21 June 2025. <https://www.gov.uk/government/speeches/78th-world-health-assembly-uk-national-statement>

³³³¹ This Council should use the tools at its disposal to press parties to conflict to protect civilians: UK statement at the UN Security Council, Government of the United Kingdom (London) 22 May 2025. Access Date: 21 June 2025. <https://www.gov.uk/government/speeches/this-council-should-use-the-tools-at-its-disposal-to-press-parties-to-conflict-to-protect-civilians-uk-statement-at-the-un-security-council>

³³³² Israel must immediately let aid into Gaza and enable the UN to operate: UK statement at the UN Security Council, Government of the United Kingdom (London) 28 May 2025. Access Date: 21 June 2025. <https://www.gov.uk/government/speeches/israel-must-immediately-let-aid-into-gaza-and-enable-the-un-to-operate-uk-statement-at-the-un-security-council>

resolutions.³³³³ The multilateral mechanism aims to monitor and report on sanction measures implemented by the United Nations. This initiative underscores ongoing efforts to advancing the UN's institutional effectiveness.

On 29 May 2025, Ambassador Holland reiterated the UK's commitment to upholding international rules-based order and upholding the guiding principles and practices of the UN during the UK/EU Summit.³³³⁴ Ambassador Holland recognized the importance of a renewed partnership between the UK and the EU, furthering the principles and commitments of the OSCE. This demonstrates the UK's commitment to bolstering the institutional effectiveness of the OSCE.

On 25 June 2025, the UK joined the Multi-Party Interim Appeal Arbitration Arrangement (MPIA), a temporary dispute settlement mechanism under the World Trade Organization (WTO) framework established to preserve the functioning of the WTO's appellate system following the paralysis of its Appellate Body.³³³⁵

On 26 June 2025, Ambassador Woodward reaffirmed the United Kingdom's commitment to collaborating with the UN Secretary-General and Member States to advance reform at UN80 to create a more effective UN system.³³³⁶

On 27 June 2025, the UK's Permanent Representative to the WTO and the UN Simon Manley reaffirmed the UK's support for reforming the WTO and interest in partaking in efforts towards comprehensive reform measures.³³³⁷

On 30 June 2025, Australia and the United Kingdom announced a joint statement after their second Strategic Dialogue on Gender Equality.³³³⁸ In the statement, both governments highlighted the importance of UN80 reforms in creating greater gender equality and called for transparent reforms to allow the UN system to make progress on global gender equality and equity.

On 30 June 2025, the G7 Foreign Ministers, including the United Kingdom, released a statement endorsing the ceasefire between Israel and Iran and condemning Iran for their use of nuclear weapons under the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA).³³³⁹ This supports the UK's commitment to upholding the roles of international organizations and international law.

³³³³ Joint Statement of the Multilateral Sanctions Monitoring Team (MSMT) on the first report covering DPRK-Russia Military Cooperation, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (Canberra) 30 March 2025. Access Date: 6 June 2025.

<https://www.dfat.gov.au/news/media-release/joint-statement-multilateral-sanctions-monitoring-team-msmt-first-report-covering-dprk-russia-military-cooperation>

³³³⁴ Outcomes of the UK/EU Summit on 19 May: UK statement to OSCE, Government of the United Kingdom (London) 29 May 2025. Access Date: 21 June 2025. <https://www.gov.uk/government/speeches/outcomes-of-the-ukeu-summit-on-19-may-uk-statement-to-osce>

³³³⁵ Statement on the United Kingdom's accession to the Multi-Party Interim Appeal Arbitration Arrangement, Department for Business and Trade, Reuters (London) 25 June 2025. Access Date: 13 August 2025. <https://www.reuters.com/world/uk/uk-joins-wto-trade-arbitration-alternative-2025-06-25/>

³³³⁶ The UN Charter remains one of our greatest accomplishments: UK Statement at the UN General Assembly, Government of the United Kingdom (London) 26 June 2025. Access Date: 15 July 2025. <https://www.gov.uk/government/speeches/the-un-charter-remains-one-of-our-greatest-accomplishments-uk-statement-at-the-un-general-assembly>

³³³⁷ WTO General Council February 2025: UK Statements, Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office (London) 27 June 2025. Access Date: 24 August 2025. <https://www.gov.uk/government/speeches/wto-general-council-february-2025-uk-statements>

³³³⁸ Joint Statement on the Second Australia-UK Strategic Dialogue on Gender Equality, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (Canberra) 30 June 2025. Access Date: 6 July 2025. <https://www.dfat.gov.au/news/media-release/joint-statement-second-australia-uk-strategic-dialogue-gender-equality>

³³³⁹ Joint Statement of the G7 Foreign Ministers on Iran and the Middle East, Global Affairs Canada (Ottawa) 30 June 2025. Access Date: 23 August 2025. <https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2025/06/joint-statement-of-the-g7-foreign-ministers-on-iran-and-the-middle-east.html>

On 8 July 2025, the Director of Defence and International Security, Foreign Commonwealth and Development Office Stephen Lillie addressed the importance of the UNSC's chemical weapons programme and reaffirmed the UK's commitment to supporting the efforts to coordinate a solution with Syria.³³⁴⁰

On 9 July 2025, Chief Executive and Comptroller-General of the UK's Intellectual Property Office Adam Williams reaffirmed the UK's commitment towards fostering an inclusive and effective World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) at the 66th session of the WIPO Assemblies.³³⁴¹

On 10 July 2025, the United Kingdom and France released a joint declaration after the 37th UK-France Summit, emphasizing their commitment to upholding multilateralism and collaborating to reform the UN.³³⁴²

On 14 July 2025, Ambassador Woodward reaffirmed the UK's commitment to helping the UN deliver its peace process through its missions in Yemen.³³⁴³

On 17 July 2025, UK Ambassador and Head of the United Kingdom's Delegation to the Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe (OSCE) Neil Holland urged an agreement of the "Unified Budget" commitment that aims to stop programme cancellations.³³⁴⁴ Holland endorsed the OSCE's mission to Serbia's work on democratic governance, media freedom and monitoring rights.

On 22 July 2025, Minister for Africa and the UN Ray Collins underscored the importance of the UNSC and supporting multilateralism through foreign policy, especially when contemporary violations by Russia in Ukraine and by Israel in Gaza test the international rules-based order.³³⁴⁵ He also stated the importance of strengthening the UN system as the UN approaches its 80th anniversary.

On 24 July 2025, Ambassador Holland briefed the OSCE Permanent Council on the UK's Global Irregular Migration Sanctions Regime and on using OSCE platforms to adapt tools for organized immigration crime.³³⁴⁶ This demonstrates the UK's commitment to updating multilateral toolkits and coordinated enforcement across institutions.

³³⁴⁰ Statement to the 109th Session of the Executive Council of the OPCW, Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office (London) 8 July 2025. Access Date: 24 August 2025. <https://www.gov.uk/government/speeches/statement-to-the-109th-session-of-the-executive-council-of-the-opcw>

³³⁴¹ 66th WIPO General Assemblies, July 2025: UK Statement, Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office (London) 9 July 2025. Access Date: 24 August 2025. <https://www.gov.uk/government/speeches/66th-wipo-general-assemblies-july-2025-uk-statement>

³³⁴² UK-France Leaders Declaration, Government of the United Kingdom (London) 10 July 2025. Access Date: 15 July 2025. <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/uk-france-leaders-declaration>

³³⁴³ The UK is committed to ensuring the UN can operate across its Missions in Yemen: UK at the UN Security Council, Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office (London) 14 July 2025. Access Date: 24 August 2025. <https://www.gov.uk/government/speeches/the-uk-is-committed-to-ensuring-the-un-can-operate-across-its-missions-in-yemen-uk-at-the-un-security-council>

³³⁴⁴ Report by the Acting Head of the OSCE Mission to Serbia, Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office (London) 17 July 2025. Access Date: 14 July 2025. <https://www.gov.uk/government/speeches/report-by-the-acting-head-of-the-osce-mission-to-serbia-uk-response-july-2025>

³³⁴⁵ Multilateralism remains the best tool we have to meet the shared challenges of the 21st century: UK statement at the UN Security Council, Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office (London) 22 July 2025. Access Date: 24 August 2025. <https://www.gov.uk/government/speeches/multilateralism-remains-the-best-tool-we-have-to-meet-the-shared-challenges-of-the-21st-century-uk-statement-at-the-un-security-council>

³³⁴⁶ Irregular Migration of people: UK statement to the OSCE, July 2025, Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office (Vienna) 24 July 2025. Access Date: 14 August 2025. <https://www.gov.uk/government/speeches/irregular-migration-of-people-uk-statement-to-the-osce-july-2025>

On 25 July 2025, UK Foreign Secretary Lammy and Defence Secretary John Healey committed to joint initiatives and advocacy on multilateral reform, including support for the UN Secretary-General's UN80 initiative to modernize UN structures and delivery.³³⁴⁷

On 25 July 2025, the UK released a joint statement with Australia after their Ministerial Consultations, which included an emphasis on reforming international institutions such as the UN system through the UN80 Initiative, the WTO and the Green Climate Fund (GCF) to strengthen effectiveness and representation.³³⁴⁸

On 28 July 2025, the UK and Egypt co-chaired the working group, "Humanitarian Action and Reconstruction," during the UN "High-level International Conference for the Peaceful Settlement of the Question of Palestine and the Implementation of the Two-State Solution."³³⁴⁹ The high-level plenary meeting and working groups facilitated discussions and consensus-building on concrete steps for international engagement and humanitarian action. This demonstrates the UK's commitment to bolstering the institutional effectiveness of the UN.

On 30 July 2025, UK Deputy Political Coordinator Caroline Quinn spoke about the need to ensure that UN peacekeeping operations have the tools to deliver effective political solutions, which the UK is ready to support.³³⁵⁰

On 6 August 2025, Deputy Political Coordinator Quinn urged full implementation of United Nations Security Council Resolution (UNSCR) 1540 and offered UK assistance to improve national legal and regulatory controls over chemical, biological, radiological and nuclear materials.³³⁵¹

On 7 August 2025, Deputy Political Coordinator Quinn pressed for coordinated regional and UN action to prioritize security, growth and prosperity across West Africa and the Sahel region at the UN Security Council, reinforcing multilateral crisis-management architecture.³³⁵² This demonstrates the UK's support for UN-regional organization coordination to improve institutional effectiveness.

On 8 August 2025, the UK, along with G7 members in the G7 Rapid Response Mechanism (RRM) released a statement following the Hong Kong Arrest Warrants.³³⁵³ This statement highlighted the role of the G7 RRM as a protection for state sovereignty and the need for the RRM to protect these rights and freedoms.

³³⁴⁷ Statement on Australia-UK Ministerial Consultations, Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office (London) 25 July 2025. Access Date: 14 August 2025. <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/statement-on-australia-uk-ministerial-consultations-aukmin-july-2025>

³³⁴⁸ Statement on Australia-UK Ministerial Consultations (AUKMIN) July 2025, Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office (London) 25 July 2025. Access Date: 24 August 2025. <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/statement-on-australia-uk-ministerial-consultations-aukmin-july-2025>

³³⁴⁹ High-level International Conference for the Peaceful Settlement of the Question of Palestine and the Implementation of the Two-State Solution, United Nations (New York) n.d. Access Date: 25 September 2025. <https://www.un.org/unispal/high-level-conference-two-state-solution-july2025>

³³⁵⁰ Peace operations should be equipped with the tools they need to deliver political solutions: UK statement at the UN Security Council, Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office (London) 30 July 2025. Access Date: 24 August 2025. <https://www.gov.uk/government/speeches/peace-operations-should-be-equipped-with-the-tools-they-need-to-deliver-political-solutions-uk-statement-at-the-un-security-council>

³³⁵¹ The United Kingdom reiterates its call for all States to fully implement their obligations under Resolution 1540, Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office (New York) 6 August 2025. Access Date: 14 August 2025. <https://www.gov.uk/government/speeches/the-united-kingdom-reiterates-its-call-for-all-states-to-fully-implement-their-obligations-under-resolution-1540-uk-statement-at-the-un-security-coun>

³³⁵² The UK encourages all parties to remain committed to prioritising security, growth, and prosperity across the region: UK statement at the UN Security Council, Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office (New York) 7 August 2025. Access Date: 14 August 2025. <https://www.gov.uk/government/speeches/the-uk-encourages-all-parties-to-remain-committed-to-prioritising-security-growth-and-prosperity-across-the-region-uk-statement-at-the-un-security-c>

³³⁵³ G7 Rapid Response Mechanism (RRM) Statement on Hong Kong Arrest Warrants, Global Affairs Canada (Ottawa) 8 August 2025. Access Date: 16 August 2025. <https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2025/08/g7-rapid-response-mechanism-rrm-statement-on-hong-kong-arrest-warrants.html>

On 8 August 2025, the UK's Permanent Representative to the WTO and UN Kumar Iyer reaffirmed the UK's commitment to ensure that the WTO could continue to be an effective international financial organization.³³⁵⁴

On 10 August 2025, Ambassador Kariuki condemned Israel's escalation in Gaza at the UN Security Council, showing the United Kingdom's ongoing commitment towards meeting the principles of the UN Charter and international law.³³⁵⁵

On 11 August 2025, Ambassador Kariuki stated the UK's commitment to work with the International Maritime Organization (IMO) at the UN Security Council on Maritime Security. Kariuki stated that the UK is leading member states of the IMO and the maritime industry to develop a maritime cyber code to strengthen the resilience of ports, ships and the digital ecosystem.³³⁵⁶

On 29 August 2025, the UK voted in favour of the UNSC resolution on the mandate of the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon (UNIFIL) allowing UNIFIL to operate for an additional 16 months before orderly withdrawal.³³⁵⁷ Ambassador Kariuki expressed disappointment in the Council's decision to withdraw before the full implementation of the resolution despite evidence-based assessment on the impact of UNIFIL's withdrawal posing a security risk.

On 9 September 2025, Ambassador Kariuki underscored the importance of UN peace operations in advancing international peace and security during the UNSC meeting on the future of Peace Operations.³³⁵⁸ He provided recommendations to improve the performance of UN peace operations including providing training and equipment, upholding performance and conduct standards. Ambassador Kariuki reiterated the UK's commitment to bolstering UN peace operations.

On 11 September 2025, Prime Minister of the UK Keir Starmer in call with President Emmanuel Macron condemned Russia's violation of NATO airspace and reiterated their commitment to defending NATO from Russia's threats.³³⁵⁹

³³⁵⁴ WTO General Council July 2025: UK Statements, Government of the United Kingdom (London) 8 August 2025. Access Date: 24 August 2025. <https://www.gov.uk/government/speeches/wto-general-council-july-2025-uk-statements>

³³⁵⁵ The Government of Israel's decision to further escalate its military operations in Gaza is wrong: UK statement at the UN Security Council, Government of the United Kingdom (London) 10 August 2025. Access Date: 24 August 2025. <https://www.gov.uk/government/speeches/the-government-of-israels-decision-to-further-escalate-its-military-operations-in-gaza-is-wrong-uk-statement-at-the-un-security-council>

³³⁵⁶ Collective action is vital to secure the safety of our seas for future generations: UK statement at the UN security council, Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office (New York) 11 August 2025. Access Date: 14 August 2025 <https://www.gov.uk/government/speeches/collective-action-is-vital-to-secure-the-safety-of-our-seas-for-future-generations-uk-statement-at-the-un-security-council>

³³⁵⁷ The United Kingdom voted in favour of today's resolution, which allows UNIFIL to operate for 16 months before an orderly withdrawal: UK explanation of vote at the UN Security Council, Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office (New York) 28 August 2025. Access Date: 7 November 2025. <https://www.gov.uk/government/speeches/the-united-kingdom-voted-in-favour-of-todays-resolution-which-allows-unifil-to-operate-for-16-months-before-an-orderly-withdrawal-uk-explanation-of--2>

³³⁵⁸ UN peace operations are a critical and unique tool for advancing international peace and security: UK statement at the UN Security Council, Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office (New York) 9 September 2025. Access Date: 7 November 2025. <https://www.gov.uk/government/speeches/un-peace-operations-are-a-critical-and-unique-tool-for-advancing-international-peace-and-security-uk-statement-at-the-un-security-council>

³³⁵⁹ PM calls with President Macron of France and Chancellor Merz of Germany: 11 September 2025, Government of the United Kingdom (London) 11 September 2025. Access Date: 29 October 2025. <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/pm-calls-with-president-macron-of-france-and-chancellor-merz-of-germany-11-september-2025>

On 23 September 2025, the UK, together with the other G7 countries' foreign ministers, issued a joint statement recognizing the fundamental need for UN reform and expressing willingness to participate in the process.³³⁶⁰

On 24 September 2025, UK Deputy Prime Minister David Lammy addressed the UN Security Council on artificial intelligence, urging global cooperation to ensure AI strengthens peace and security.³³⁶¹ He welcomed the UN Secretary-General's report on military AI, reaffirming international law as the foundation for responsible use and highlighting the UK's leadership through the AI Security Institute and International AI Safety Report, demonstrating the UK's commitment to institutional reform and rules-based multilateralism within the UN system.

On 25 September 2025, UK Foreign Secretary Yvette Cooper reaffirmed the UK's commitment to multilateralism and institutional reform at the G20 Foreign Ministers' Meeting in New York.³³⁶² Cooper emphasized defending the UN Charter and strengthening cooperation for global peace and prosperity. These actions demonstrate the UK's commitment to institutional representativeness and effectiveness within the multilateral system.

On 1 October 2025, the G7 Foreign Ministers and the High Representative of the European Union released a statement in support of the reimposition of UNSC sanctions and restrictions against Iran due to the government's failure to meet requirements under the Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action (JCPOA).³³⁶³ This demonstrates the ministers' commitment to bolstering the institutional effectiveness of the UN.

On 1 October 2025, UK Deputy Permanent Representative to the United Nations James Kariuki reaffirmed the United Kingdom's support for UN-led diplomacy and multilateral conflict resolution during the UN Security Council meeting on Gaza.³³⁶⁴ Kariuki noted the UK's reiterated condemnation of Hamas' actions and Israel's disproportionate military response and urged Israel to lift aid restrictions in line with international humanitarian law. He also reaffirmed the UK's recognition of the State of Palestine as part of its commitment to a two-state solution. These actions demonstrate the UK's support for rules-based multilateralism and institutional effectiveness within the UN system.

On 6 October 2025, Ambassador and Permanent Representative Kumar Iyer stated the importance of WTO reform and remains committed to supporting the focus of the MC14 as a reform Ministerial Conference during

³³⁶⁰ Joint G7 Foreign Ministers' Statement – Meeting of the G7 Foreign Ministers on the Margins of the High-Level Week at the United Nations General Assembly in New York, Global Affairs Canada (New York) 23 September 2025. Access Date: 10 October 2025. <https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2025/09/joint-g7-foreign-ministers-statement--meeting-of-the-g7-foreign-ministers-on-the-margins-of-the-high-level-week-at-the-united-nations-general-assem.html>

³³⁶¹ We must ensure AI strengthens peace and security: UK Statement at the UN Security Council, Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office (New York) 24 September 2025. Access Date: 9 October 2025. <https://www.gov.uk/government/speeches/we-must-ensure-ai-strengthens-peace-and-security-uk-statement-at-the-un-security-council>

³³⁶² We must all keep alive the principles of multilateralism: UK Statement at the G20 Foreign Minister's meeting, Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office (New York) 26 September 2025. Access Date: 9 October 2025. <https://www.gov.uk/government/speeches/we-must-all-keep-alive-the-principles-of-multilateralism-uk-statement-at-the-g20-foreign-ministers-meeting>

³³⁶³ G7 Foreign Ministers Statement on Iran Sanctions Snapback, Global Affairs Canada (Ottawa) 1 October 2025. Access Date: 28 October 2025. <https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2025/10/g7-foreign-ministers-statement-on-iran-sanctions-snapback.html>

³³⁶⁴ The path to peace in Gaza must be through dialogue and diplomacy, not further bloodshed: UK statement at the UN Security Council, Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office (New York) 1 October 2025. Access Date: 9 October 2025. <https://www.gov.uk/government/speeches/the-path-to-peace-in-gaza-must-be-through-dialogue-and-diplomacy-not-further-bloodshed-uk-statement-at-the-un-security-council>

the WTO General Council.³³⁶⁵ He reiterated the UK's priorities for WTO reform being decision-making, Special and Differential Treatment (S&DT) and market-distorting practices.

On 7 October 2025, Deputy Director Partnerships Rurik Marsden delivered a statement at the 76th session of the UNHCR Executive Committee.³³⁶⁶ He reiterated the UK's commitment to endorsing the UNHCR's role in upholding protection standards and the UNHCR's sustainable responses initiative. Deputy Director Marsden highlighted integrating the UN80 and Humanitarian Reset proposals into the UNHCR to modernize its operations.

On 7 October 2025, UK Ambassador to the General Assembly Archie Young reaffirmed the UK's commitment to strengthening United Nations – African Union cooperation during the United Nations Security Council meeting on Cooperation between the United Nations and the African Union.³³⁶⁷ Ambassador Young endorsed closer coordination under the UN80 reform agenda, supported the implementation of Resolution 2719 on African-Union-led peace operations, and announced the United Kingdom's USD22 million contribution to the African Union Support and Stabilization Mission in Somalia. These actions demonstrate the UK's commitment to institutional effectiveness, representativeness, and accountability through strengthened regional and multilateral partnerships.

On 8 October 2025, members of the G7 and the Nordic-Baltic 8++ (Belgium, Canada, Denmark, Estonia, European Union, Finland, France, Germany, Iceland, Italy, Japan, Latvia, Lithuania, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Sweden and the United Kingdom) released a joint statement committing to enhance cooperation and advance efforts on disrupting and deterring global shadow fleet activity.³³⁶⁸ Members further reaffirmed their commitment to upholding international law such as the UN Convention on the Law of the Sea and acting in accordance with International Maritime Organization and International Labour Organization conventions and resolutions.

On 16 October 2025, Minister for Development Jennifer Chapman issued a series of remarks on institutional legitimacy and governance at the Development Committee plenary during the World Bank Group (WBG) and International Monetary Fund (IMF) 2025 Annual Meetings.³³⁶⁹ She reiterated the importance of the Shareholding Review, reconfiguring the Committee to give more voting power to low-income countries and developing long-term foresight to safeguard the Bank's legitimacy.

On 17 October 2025, the G7 Development Ministers convened on the peripheries of the annual World Bank Group and International Monetary Fund meetings in Washington D.C. to identify opportunities for further collaboration within the G7.³³⁷⁰ The Ministers also underscored the importance of reforms to multilateral

³³⁶⁵ WTO General Council October 2025: UK Statement, Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office (Geneva) 14 October 2025. Access Date: 7 November 2025. <https://www.gov.uk/government/speeches/wto-general-council-october-2025-uk-statement>

³³⁶⁶ UK statement at the 76th session of the UNHCR Executive Committee, Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office (Geneva) 7 October 2025. Access Date: 7 November 2025. <https://www.gov.uk/government/speeches/uk-statement-at-the-76th-session-of-the-unhcr-executive-committee>

³³⁶⁷ The United Kingdom welcomes the sustained cooperation between the AU and the UN: UK statement at the UN Security Council, Foreign, Commonwealth, & Development Office (New York) 7 October 2025. Access Date: 9 October 2025. <https://www.gov.uk/government/speeches/the-united-kingdom-welcomes-the-sustained-cooperation-between-the-au-and-the-un-uk-statement-at-the-un-security-council>

³³⁶⁸ Joint statement: Shadow Fleet Task Force, Global Affairs Canada (Ottawa) 10 October 2025. Access Date: 28 October 2025. <https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2025/10/joint-statement-shadow-fleet-task-force.html>

³³⁶⁹ World Bank Group and International Monetary Fund 2025, Development Committee plenary: Baroness Chapman's remarks, Foreign, Commonwealth & Development office (New York) 28 October 2025. Access Date: 5 November 2025. <https://www.gov.uk/government/speeches/world-bank-group-and-international-monetary-fund-2025-development-committee-plenary-baroness-chapmans-remarks>

³³⁷⁰ G7 Development Ministers' Chair's Summary – Fostering partnerships for economic prosperity, Global Affairs Canada (Ottawa) 21 October 2025. Access Date: 28 October 2025. <https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2025/10/g7-development-ministers-chairs-summary--fostering-partnerships-for-economic-prosperity.html>

institutions focus on institutional performance and outcomes such as “structural realignment, mandate streamlining, and enhanced efficiency.”

On 22 October 2025, Australia, Canada, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, Netherlands, New Zealand, South Korea, United Kingdom and United States as a part of the Multilateral Sanctions Monitoring Team issued their second joint statement on the unlawful military cooperation between North Korea and Russia, in violation of UNSC resolutions (UNSCRs).³³⁷¹ The report underscores the UK’s commitment to the full implementation of UNSCRs. Further, the report calls on the UNSC to reimplement the Panel of Experts to maintain international security and hold the North Korea accountable in its violation and evasion of UN sanctions.

On 22 October 2025, Ambassador Iyer underscored the importance of revitalizing the multilateral trading system through reforming the WTO and modernizing the UN Trade and Development (UNCTAD) on behalf of the JUSCANZ Group at the 16th UN Conference on Trade and Development.³³⁷² He further reiterated the Group’s support for the UN80 reform initiatives that re-align the UN on its core priority areas.

On 23 October 2025, the Ministers and high representatives of Armenia, Australia, Belgium, Canada, Chile, Colombia, Cyprus, Dominican Republic, Estonia, France, Germany, Iceland, Ireland, Kosovo, Latvia, Liberia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Mexico, Moldova, the Netherlands, North Macedonia, Norway, Portugal, Rwanda, Slovenia, Spain, Thailand, Ukraine, United Kingdom, Uruguay participated at the 4th Ministerial Conference on Feminist Foreign Policies.³³⁷³ The Joint Declaration demonstrates the UK’s commitment to upholding the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, UN principles and the UNSC Resolution 1325 (Women, Peace and Security agenda), advancing institutional reform of the UN and strengthening multilateral engagement.

On 23 October 2025, Ambassador Holland underscored the role of the OSCE as a platform for participating States to engage in “deterrence and risk-reduction messaging” and a “forum for genuine dialogue” in response to Russia’s use of OSCE to spread disinformation.³³⁷⁴

On 24 October 2025, Ambassador Kariuki reiterated the UK’s commitment to reforming the UNSC to be “more representative of the world today,” through extending permanent membership status for Africa and permanent seats for Germany, Japan, India and Brazil.³³⁷⁵ Minister Kariuki underscored the importance of all UN member states’ obligation to act in compliance with the UN Charter.

³³⁷¹ Joint Statement of the Multilateral Sanctions Monitoring Team (MSMT) on the Report Covering DPRK Cyber and IT Worker Activities, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (Canberra) 22 October 2025. Access Date: 28 October 2025.

<https://www.dfat.gov.au/news/media-release/joint-statement-multilateral-sanctions-monitoring-team-msmt-report-covering-dprk-cyber-and-it-worker-activities>

³³⁷² UNCTAD Conference statement, October 2025, Foreign, Commonwealth & Development office (Geneva) 23 October 2025. Access Date: 5 November 2025. <https://www.gov.uk/government/speeches/unctad-conference-statement-october-2025>

³³⁷³ Paris Joint Political Declaration on Achieving Gender Equality, Promoting Human Rights of All Women and Girls and Strengthening a Feminist Approach to Foreign Policy under the auspices of the 4th Ministerial Conference on Feminist Foreign Policies in Paris, October 22 and 23 2025, Global Affairs Canada (Ottawa) 28 October 2025. Access Date: 28 October 2025. <https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2025/10/paris-joint-political-declaration-on-achieving-gender-equality-promoting-human-rights-of-all-women-and-girls-and-strengthening-a-feminist-approach-.html>

³³⁷⁴ Russia still refuses to engage seriously on peace and continues to undermine the OSCE as a platform for dialogue: UK statement to the OSCE, Foreign, Commonwealth & Development office (Vienna) 23 October 2025. Access Date: 5 November 2025. <https://www.gov.uk/government/speeches/russia-still-refuses-to-engage-seriously-on-peace-and-continues-to-undermine-the-osce-as-a-platform-for-dialogue-uk-statement-to-the-osce>

³³⁷⁵ The UN’s founding purposes and principles are as essential today as they were 80 years ago: UK statement at the UN Security Council, Foreign, Commonwealth & Development office (New York) 24 October 2025. Access Date: 5 November 2025. <https://www.gov.uk/government/speeches/the-uns-founding-purposes-and-principles-are-as-essential-today-as-they-were-80-years-ago-uk-statement-at-the-un-security-council>

On 30 October 2025, UK Legal Adviser at the UNGA Sally Langrish reiterated the UK's support for the ICJ.³³⁷⁶ She commended the ICJ's handling of contentious cases, its role in advisory proceedings and "the Court's impartiality, independence and legal rigor" to maintaining the credibility of the international legal system. Legal Adviser Langrish called on States to accept the Court's jurisdiction, bolstering the institutional effectiveness of the ICJ.

On 30 October 2025, Permanent Representative to the WTO and the UN Kumar Iyer reiterated the urgency in WTO reform during the UK Closing Statement at the UK's Trade Policy Review at the WTO.³³⁷⁷

On 31 October 2025, Ambassador Kariuki reiterated the UK's support for the UN Verification Mission and called on UNSC members to voting for the resolution on the Colombia UNSCR.³³⁷⁸

On 31 October 2025, Ambassador Kariuki reaffirmed the UK's support for UN Support Mission in Libya's (UNSMIL) efforts to advance a Libyan-led and Libyan-owned political process.³³⁷⁹ He further encouraged all parties to engage with the UN roadmap towards "free, fair, transparent, and inclusive elections."

On 4 November 2025, UK Spokesperson and Counsellor Letisha Lunin issued a statement on information integrity and the role of the UN at the UN Fourth Committee on Information Integrity.³³⁸⁰ She reiterated the responsibility of UN member states to protect the integrity of the UN as a trusted source of information. Spokesperson Lunin reaffirmed the UK's commitment to protecting the integrity of the UN by exposing Russian disinformation and sanctioning the Russian state-funded Social Design Agency.

On 5 November 2025, UK Minister Counsellor Jennifer MacNaughtan reiterated the UK's support for UN Interim Security Force for Abyei (UNISFA) at the UNSC meeting.³³⁸¹ She highlighted the critical role of the UNISFA in community peace initiatives. Counsellor MacNaughtan stated the UK's commitment to further engaging in the renewal of the UNISFA's mandate for maintaining peace in South Sudan.

On 4 November 2025, Australia, Canada, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, Netherlands, New Zealand, Republic of Korea, United Kingdom and United States issued a joint statement on the Democratic People Republic of

³³⁷⁶ The United Kingdom remains a steadfast supporter of the International Court of Justice: UK statement at the UN General Assembly, Foreign, Commonwealth & Development office (New York) 30 October 2025. Access Date: 5 November 2025. <https://www.gov.uk/government/speeches/the-united-kingdom-remains-a-steadfast-supporter-of-the-international-court-of-justice-uk-statement-at-the-un-general-assembly>

³³⁷⁷ United Kingdom's Trade Policy Review. Closing Statement from the UK, Foreign, Commonwealth & Development office (New York) 30 October 2025. Access Date: 5 November 2025. <https://www.gov.uk/government/speeches/united-kingdoms-trade-policy-review-closing-statement-from-the-uk>

³³⁷⁸ The UN Verification Mission has been critical to the implementation of the 2016 Peace Agreement in Colombia: UK statement at the UN Security Council, Foreign, Commonwealth & Development office (New York) 31 October 2025. Access Date: 5 November 2025. <https://www.gov.uk/government/speeches/the-un-verification-mission-has-been-critical-to-the-implementation-of-the-2016-peace-agreement-in-colombia-uk-statement-at-the-un-security-council>

³³⁷⁹ The UK reiterates its full support for UNSMIL's efforts to advance the political process in Libya: UK Explanation of Vote at the UN Security Council, Foreign, Commonwealth & Development office (New York) 31 October 2025. Access Date: 5 November 2025. <https://www.gov.uk/government/speeches/the-uk-reiterates-its-full-support-for-unsmils-efforts-to-advance-the-political-process-in-libya-uk-explanation-of-vote-at-the-un-security-council>

³³⁸⁰ The UK is deeply concerned by the growing threats to information integrity: UK Statement at the UN Fourth Committee, Foreign, Commonwealth & Development office (New York) 5 November 2025. Access Date: 5 November 2025. <https://www.gov.uk/government/speeches/the-uk-is-deeply-concerned-by-the-growing-threats-to-information-integrity-uk-statement-at-the-un-fourth-committee>

³³⁸¹ The United Kingdom reiterates its full support for UNISFA's critical role in Abyei: UK statement at the UN Security Council, Foreign, Commonwealth & Development office (New York) 5 November 2025. Access Date: 7 November 2025. <https://www.gov.uk/government/speeches/the-united-kingdom-reiterates-its-full-support-for-unisfas-critical-role-in-abyei-uk-statement-at-the-un-security-council>

Korea's cyber and information technology activities that violate UNSCRs.³³⁸² The report underscores Germany's commitment to the full implementation of UNSCRs. Further, the report called on the UNSC to re-establish the Panel of Experts to bolster the institutional effectiveness of the UN.

On 5 November 2025, Defence Minister Alistair Carns and Minister for Europe, North America and Overseas Territories Stephen Doughty stated the UK Carrier Strike Group will strengthen NATO Security through exercises in the Mediterranean and the Indo-Pacific Region.³³⁸³ This initiative aims to strengthen NATO's air capabilities and boost the effectiveness of the Alliance.

The United Kingdom has partially complied with its commitment to work for a reinvigorated and strengthened multilateral system, rooted in the purposes and principles of the UN Charter and international law. The UK has taken moderate action in reforming UN bodies and international organizations such as NATO and OSCE. It has also taken steps to address the key criteria of institutional representation, institutional effectiveness and institutional transparency and accountability. However, it has not taken strong action to reform a UN body or a relevant international organization.

Thus, the United Kingdom receives a score of 0.

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United States: –1

The United States has not complied with its commitment to work for a reinvigorated and strengthened multilateral system, rooted in the purposes and principles of the United Nations Charter and international law, with renewed institutions and a reformed governance that is more representative, effective, transparent and accountable, reflecting the social, economic and political realities of the 21st century.

On 6 December 2024, North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) allies including the United Kingdom released a joint statement to the Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe (OSCE) on Russia's invasion of Ukraine where members reaffirmed their commitment to maintaining channels of communication to "to manage and mitigate risk, prevent escalation and build trust and confidence" and align with the principles of transparency at the OSCE Ministerial Council.³³⁸⁴

On 20 January 2025, President Donald Trump issued an Executive Order pausing US foreign aid for 90 days, affecting approximately USD5 billion in governance and transparency-related programs globally.³³⁸⁵ Secretary of State Marco Rubio subsequently approved selective waivers but drew criticism for interrupting these critical programs, impacting nearly 280 US-assisted governance and transparency initiatives worldwide.

On 4 February 2025, President Donald Trump issued an executive order stating that the US would not participate in the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHRC), would conduct a review of its membership in the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) and would not make any payments to the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near

³³⁸² Multilateral Sanctions Monitoring Team (MSMT): Joint Statement on the Report Covering DPRK Cyber and IT Worker Activities, Federal Foreign Office (Brussels) 4 November 2025. Access Date: 7 November 2025. <https://www.auswaertiges-amt.de/en/newsroom/news/2741814-2741814>

³³⁸³ UK Carrier Strike Group returns to the Mediterranean, Foreign, Commonwealth & Development office (New York) 5 November 2025. Access Date: 7 November 2025. <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/uk-carrier-strike-group-returns-to-the-mediterranean>

³³⁸⁴ Thirty-First Meeting of the OSCE Ministerial Council, Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe (Malta) 6 December 2024. Access Date: 30 June 2025. <https://www.osce.org/files/f/documents/3/9/582397.pdf>

³³⁸⁵ US Overseas Governance and Accountability Assistance is Critical to Achieving US Foreign Policy Goals, Transparency International US (Washington D.C.) 24 February 2025. Access Date: 29 March 2025. <https://us.transparency.org/resource/u-s-overseas-governance-and-accountability-assistance-is-critical-to-achieving-u-s-foreign-policy-goals/>

East (UNRWA).³³⁸⁶ Additionally, a review of all international intergovernmental organizations such as the World Bank and the International Monetary Fund (IMF) were to be reviewed within 180 days.

On 6 February 2025, the White House announced the implementation of sanctions against the International Criminal Court (ICC) due to its illegitimate actions, which are deemed to unfairly target the United States and Israel.³³⁸⁷ The White House also added that the U.S. would oppose actions taken by the ICC against the U.S., running counter to the purposes and principles of the UN Charter and international law.

On 18 February 2025, Ambassador Dorothy Shea emphasized reform at a UN Security Council debate.³³⁸⁸ She criticized inefficiencies in UN institutions, including those managing multi-billion-dollar humanitarian aid programs, explicitly urging greater transparency and fiscal accountability.

On 22 February 2025, Secretary of State Marco Rubio did not participate in the G20 Foreign Ministers' Meeting.³³⁸⁹ This action is antithetical to the commitment and undermines global governance initiatives.

On 4 March 2025, US representative on the United Nations Loss and Damage Fund board Rebecca Lawlor announced the US's withdrawal from the board of the fund, which is a multilateral climate finance mechanism established to compensate vulnerable countries for climate-induced losses.³³⁹⁰ The decision involved the resignation of the primary and alternate US board members without replacement. This withdrawal undermines the operational legitimacy of the fund and weakens global efforts to ensure equitable climate governance.

On 8 March 2025, the US formally announced that it would deny all future funding to the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA), citing the Kemp-Kasten Amendment as legal justification.³³⁹¹ This decision terminated over USD335 million in humanitarian health grants, eliminating one of the most significant funding streams for maternal care, reproductive health and gender-based violence prevention in over 20 conflict-affected countries.

On 13 March 2025, Counselor for Economic and Social Affairs at the US Mission to the UN Edward Hartney announced the US rejects the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals, citing concerns over national sovereignty.³³⁹² This decision marked a significant departure from international commitments to address global challenges collectively, such as poverty, inequality and climate change.

On 14 March 2025, G7 Foreign Ministers released the G7 Foreign Ministers' Declaration on Maritime Security and Prosperity. The ministers reaffirmed the G7's commitment to "a free, open, and secure maritime domain based on the rule of law that strengthens international security, fosters economic prosperity, and ensures the sustainable use of marine resources." The ministers also reiterated their commitment to tackling the "Emerging

³³⁸⁶ Withdrawing the United States from and Ending Funding to Certain United Nations Organizations and Reviewing United States Support to All International Organizations, The White House (Washington D.C.) 4 February 2025. Access Date: 27 May 2025. <https://www.whitehouse.gov/presidential-actions/2025/02/withdrawing-the-united-states-from-and-ending-funding-to-certain-united-nations-organizations-and-reviewing-united-states-support-to-all-international-organizations/>

³³⁸⁷ Imposing Sanctions on the International Criminal Court, The White House (Washington D.C.) 6 February 2025. Access Date: 24 August 2025. <https://www.whitehouse.gov/presidential-actions/2025/02/imposing-sanctions-on-the-international-criminal-court/>

³³⁸⁸ Remarks at a UN Security Council Open Debate on Practicing Multilateralism, Reforming and Improving Global Governance, United States Mission to the United Nations (New York) 18 February 2025. Access Date: 20 May 2025. <https://usun.usmission.gov/remarks-at-a-un-security-council-open-debate-on-practicing-multilateralism-reforming-and-improving-global-governance/>

³³⁸⁹ G20 Meeting a Success Despite US Absence, Priorities Backed, G20 South Africa (Johannesburg) 22 February 2025. Access Date: 29 March 2025. <https://g20.org/news/g20-meeting-a-success-despite-us-absence-priorities-backed/>

³³⁹⁰ United States quits board of UN climate loss and damage fund, Reuters (New York) 4 March 2025. Access Date: 10 May 2025. <https://www.reuters.com/world/us/united-states-quits-board-un-climate-damage-fund-letter-shows-2025-03-07/>

³³⁹¹ United States Government cuts future funding for UNFPA, United Nations Population Fund (New York) 8 March 2025. Access Date: 10 May 2025. <https://www.unfpa.org/press/statement-response-united-states-decision-deny-future-funding-unfpa>

³³⁹² U.S. Rejects UN Sustainable Development Goals, Seneca ESG (Singapore) 14 March 2025. Access Date: 20 May 2025. <https://senecaesg.com/insights/u-s-rejects-un-sustainable-development-goals/>

Threat on Safe Seas and Freedom of Navigation and Overflight,” “Safe Shipping and Supply Chain Security,” “Sustainable Stewardship of Maritime Resources” and partnerships. This reflects their commitment to promoting dialogue between G7 members and stakeholders and bolstering the institutional effectiveness on matters related to maritime security and prosperity. They also released a joint statement that reaffirmed G7 support for “Ukraine’s long-term prosperity and security,” “Regional peace and stability in the Middle East,” “Cooperation to increase security and resilience across the Indo-Pacific,” “Building stability and resilience in Haiti and Venezuela,” “Supporting lasting peace in Sudan and the Democratic Republic of the Congo” and “Strengthening sanctions and countering hybrid warfare and sabotage.” The joint statement reflects the G7’s commitment to strengthening the institutional effectiveness of the G7.

On 2 April 2025, President Trump announced a sweeping tariff policy dubbed “Liberation Day,” imposing a universal ten per cent tariff on all imports, with higher rates for specific countries, including a 54 per cent effective tariff on Chinese goods.³³⁹³ This move, justified under a declared national emergency, undermines the World Trade Organizations’ (WTO) principles and escalates global trade tensions.

On 25 April 2025, Treasury Secretary Scott Bessent participated in bilateral discussions with Indonesian Finance Minister Sri Mulyani Indrawati during the G20 and IMF Spring Meetings in Washington D.C. ³³⁹⁴ The meeting focused on the future of multilateral trade and financial institutions, with particular attention to proposed reforms at the WTO.

On 27 May 2025, Argentine Minister of Health Mario Lugones and U.S. Health and Human Services Secretary Robert F. Kennedy Jr. and released a joint statement about their withdrawal from the WHO, citing the lack of reforms, transparency, excessive economic demands and increased politicization of the WHO as reasons for their withdrawal.³³⁹⁵

On 29 May 2025, Australia, Canada, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, Netherlands, New Zealand, South Korea, the United Kingdom and the United States as a part of the Multilateral Sanctions Monitoring Team issued a joint statement on unlawful military cooperation between North Korea and Russia, in violation of UNSC resolutions.³³⁹⁶ The multilateral mechanism aims to monitor and report on sanction measures implemented by the United Nations. This initiative underscores ongoing to advancing the UN’s institutional effectiveness.

On 4 June 2025, the U.S. vetoed a UNSC resolution because it was deemed to target Israel.³³⁹⁷ Secretary Rubio emphasized that the U.S. would not support a resolution that does not condemn Hamas, asking Hamas to leave Gaza or disarm, as well as not respect Israel’s right to self-defence and called on the UN to return to its original principles of promoting peace and security.

³³⁹³ Trump imposes 10 percent universal tariff, higher for top trade partners, Politico (Washington D.C.) 2 April 2025. Access Date: 10 May 2025. <https://www.politico.com/news/2025/04/02/trump-tariff-trade-partners-liberation-day-00267350>

³³⁹⁴ Indonesia engages U.S. on multilateralism, WTO reform at G20 and IMF Spring Meetings, Indonesia Business Post (Washington D.C.) 25 April 2025. Access Date: 10 May 2025. <https://indonesiabusinesspost.com/4182/capitol-influence-and-lobbying/ri-engages-u-s-on-multilateralism-wto-reform-at-g20-and-imf-spring-meetings>

³³⁹⁵ Joint Statement with Argentina Health Minister, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (Washington D.C.) 27 May 2025. Access Date: 14 July 2025. <https://www.hhs.gov/press-room/us-argentina-withdraw-who.html>

³³⁹⁶ Joint Statement of the Multilateral Sanctions Monitoring Team (MSMT) on the first report covering DPRK-Russia Military Cooperation, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (Canberra) 30 March 2025. Access Date: 6 June 2025. <https://www.dfat.gov.au/news/media-release/joint-statement-multilateral-sanctions-monitoring-team-msmt-first-report-covering-dprk-russia-military-cooperation>

³³⁹⁷ Veto of the United Nations Security Council Resolution on Gaza, U.S. Department of State (Washington D.C.) 4 June 2025. Access Date: 24 August 2025. <https://www.state.gov/releases/office-of-the-spokesperson/2025/06/veto-of-the-united-nations-security-council-resolution-on-gaza/>

On 6 June 2025, Secretary Rubio announced the sanctioning of four ICC judges, including Solomy Balungi Bossa, Luz Del Carmen Ibanez Carranza, Reine Adelaide Sophie Alapini Gansou and Beti Hohler, citing their “abuse of power” during cases related to Afghanistan and Israel for their decision, rejecting international law.³³⁹⁸

On 25 June 2025, Secretary Rubio met with the G7 foreign ministers ahead of the NATO Summit to discuss Iran’s nuclear proliferation and cooperating to work towards a free and open Indo-Pacific region.³³⁹⁹

On 30 June 2025, the G7 Foreign Ministers, including the U.S., released a statement endorsing the ceasefire between Israel and Iran and condemning Iran for their use of nuclear weapons under the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA).³⁴⁰⁰

On 10 July 2025, Secretary Rubio emphasized the importance of the ASEAN-U.S. partnership and reiterated the U.S.’s commitment to working with ASEAN on regional and global issues at the ASEAN Post Ministerial Conference.³⁴⁰¹

On 15 July 2025, Donald Trump’s pick for US Ambassador to the United Nations, Mike Waltz, spoke before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee.³⁴⁰² Waltz emphasized the need for sweeping reforms at the UN, including staff reductions of around 20 per cent, as outlined in Secretary-General Guterres’s UN80 reform plan. He framed the UN as having strayed from its founding mission of peacekeeping and vowed to aggressively counter China’s influence while demanding greater transparency.

On 22 July 2025, the Trump administration announced that the US would withdraw from UNESCO again, the second such exit, citing misalignment with US values and claims of the agency advancing “woke” or anti-Israel positions.³⁴⁰³ This withdrawal is scheduled to take effect at the end of December 2026. Director-General Audrey Azoulay expressed regret but noted the move was anticipated and that the agency had taken steps to buffer financial impacts.³⁴⁰⁴ This decision further diminishes US influence in global cultural diplomacy and could open space for rivals like China to expand their role.

On 8 August 2025, the US, along with G7 members in the G7 Rapid Response Mechanism (RRM) released a statement following the Hong Kong Arrest Warrants.³⁴⁰⁵ This statement highlighted the role of the G7 RRM as a protection for state sovereignty and the need for the RRM to protect these rights and freedoms.

³³⁹⁸ Imposing Sanctions in Response to the ICC’s Illegitimate Actions Targeting the United States and Israel, U.S. Department of State (Washington D.C.) 5 June 2025. Access Date: 24 August 2025. <https://www.state.gov/imposing-sanctions-in-response-to-the-iccs-illegitimate-actions-targeting-the-united-states-and-israel>

³³⁹⁹ Secretary Rubio’s Meeting with G7 Foreign Ministers, U.S. Department of State (Washington D.C.) 25 June 2025. Access Date: 24 August 2025. <https://www.state.gov/releases/office-of-the-spokesperson/2025/06/secretary-rubios-meeting-with-g7-foreign-ministers/>

³⁴⁰⁰ Joint Statement of the G7 Foreign Ministers on Iran and the Middle East, Global Affairs Canada (Ottawa) 30 June 2025. Access Date: 23 August 2025. <https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2025/06/joint-statement-of-the-g7-foreign-ministers-on-iran-and-the-middle-east.html>

³⁴⁰¹ Secretary of State Marco Rubio at the ASEAN Post Ministerial Conference with the United States, U.S. Department of State (Washington D.C.) 10 July 2025. Access Date: 24 August 2025. <https://www.state.gov/releases/office-of-the-spokesperson/2025/07/secretary-of-state-marco-rubio-at-the-asean-post-ministerial-conference-with-the-united-states/>

³⁴⁰² Trump’s UN envoy pick Waltz says US needs strong voice to counter China, Reuters (Washington D.C.) 15 July 2025. Access Date: 15 August 2025. <https://www.reuters.com/world/china/trumps-un-envoy-pick-waltz-says-us-needs-strong-voice-counter-china-2025-07-15>

³⁴⁰³ Trump withdraws US from ‘woke’ UNESCO for second time, Politico (Washington D.C.) 22 July 2025. Access Date: 15 August 2025. <https://www.politico.com/news/2025/07/22/trump-unesco-withdrawal-united-nations-00466759>

³⁴⁰⁴ UNESCO Statement on United States withdrawal, United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (Paris) 22 July 2025. Access Date: 15 August 2025. <https://www.unesco.org/en/articles/unesco-statement-us-withdrawal-2025>

³⁴⁰⁵ G7 Rapid Response Mechanism (RRM) Statement on Hong Kong Arrest Warrants, Global Affairs Canada (Ottawa) 8 August 2025. Access Date: 16 August 2025. <https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2025/08/g7-rapid-response-mechanism-rrm-statement-on-hong-kong-arrest-warrants.html>

On 23 September 2025, the United States, together with the other G7 countries' foreign ministers, issued a joint statement recognizing the fundamental need for UN reform and expressing willingness to participate in the process.³⁴⁰⁶

On 23 September 2025, President Donald Trump addressed the UN General Assembly and declared that climate change is “the greatest con job” in the world, rejecting global projections and warning of negative impacts from climate policy.³⁴⁰⁷ This public skepticism diminishes the U.S.’s representation and moral authority in climate governance.

On 1 October 2025, the G7 Foreign Ministers and the High Representative of the European Union released a statement in support of the reimposition of UNSC sanctions and restrictions against Iran due to the government’s failure to meet requirements under the Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action (JCPOA).³⁴⁰⁸ This demonstrates the ministers’ commitment to bolstering the institutional effectiveness of the UN.

On 17 October 2025, the G7 Development Ministers convened on the peripheries of the annual World Bank Group and International Monetary Fund meetings in Washington D.C. to identify opportunities for further collaboration within the G7. ³⁴⁰⁹ The Ministers also underscored the importance of reforms to multilateral institutions focus on institutional performance and outcomes such as “structural realignment, mandate streamlining, and enhanced efficiency.”

On 22 October 2025, Australia, Canada, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, Netherlands, New Zealand, South Korea, United Kingdom and United States as a part of the Multilateral Sanctions Monitoring Team issued their second joint statement on the unlawful military cooperation between North Korea and Russia, in violation of UNSC resolutions (UNSCRs).³⁴¹⁰ The report underscores the US’s commitment to the full implementation of UNSCRs. Further, the report calls on the UNSC to reimplement the Panel of Experts to maintain international security and hold the North Korea accountable in its violation and evasion of UN sanctions.

On 1 November 2025, APEC Leaders from Australia, Brunei, Canada, Chile, China, Hong Kong, Indonesia, Japan, South Korea, Malaysia, Mexico, New Zealand, Papua New Guinea, Peru, Philippines, Russia, Singapore, Taiwan, Thailand, the United States and Vietnam released the APEC Leaders’ Declaration 2025.³⁴¹¹ Leaders reiterated their commitment to advancing structural reforms that strengthen innovation, productivity and economic vitality.

On 4 November 2025, Australia, Canada, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, Netherlands, New Zealand, Republic of Korea, United Kingdom and United States issued a joint statement on the Democratic People Republic of

³⁴⁰⁶ Joint G7 Foreign Ministers’ Statement – Meeting of the G7 Foreign Ministers on the Margins of the High-Level Week at the United Nations General Assembly in New York, Global Affairs Canada (New York) 23 September 2025. Access Date: 10 October 2025. <https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2025/09/joint-g7-foreign-ministers-statement--meeting-of-the-g7-foreign-ministers-on-the-margins-of-the-high-level-week-at-the-united-nations-general-assembly.html>

³⁴⁰⁷ Trump tells UN that climate change is ‘greatest con job’ globally, Reuters (New York) 23 September 2025. Access Date: 10 October 2025. <https://www.reuters.com/sustainability/cop/trump-tells-un-that-climate-change-is-con-job-2025-09-23>

³⁴⁰⁸ G7 Foreign Ministers Statement on Iran Sanctions Snapback, Global Affairs Canada (Ottawa) 1 October 2025. Access Date: 28 October 2025. <https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2025/10/g7-foreign-ministers-statement-on-iran-sanctions-snapback.html>

³⁴⁰⁹ G7 Development Ministers’ Chair’s Summary – Fostering partnerships for economic prosperity, Global Affairs Canada (Ottawa) 21 October 2025. Access Date: 28 October 2025. <https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2025/10/g7-development-ministers-chairs-summary--fostering-partnerships-for-economic-prosperity.html>

³⁴¹⁰ Joint Statement of the Multilateral Sanctions Monitoring Team (MSMT) on the Report Covering DPRK Cyber and IT Worker Activities, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (Canberra) 22 October 2025. Access Date: 28 October 2025. <https://www.dfat.gov.au/news/media-release/joint-statement-multilateral-sanctions-monitoring-team-msmt-report-covering-dprk-cyber-and-it-worker-activities>

³⁴¹¹ 2025年亚太经合组织领导人庆州宣言（摘要），中华人民共和国常驻联合国代表团 (Beijing) 1 November 2025. Translation provided by Google Translate. Access Date: 7 November 2025. https://un.china-mission.gov.cn/zgyw/202511/t20251101_11745424.htm

Korea's cyber and information technology activities that violate UNSCRs.³⁴¹² The report underscores Germany's commitment to the full implementation of UNSCRs. Further, the report called on the UNSC to re-establish the Panel of Experts to bolster the institutional effectiveness of the UN.

The United States has not complied with its commitment to work for a reinvigorated and strengthened multilateral system, rooted in the purposes and principles of the UN Charter and international law. The G20 member has verbally committed to reforming governance structures, however, policy shifts and widespread withdrawals from multilateral organizations and meetings undermine are actions antithetical to the commitment.

Thus, the United States receives a score of -1 .³⁴¹³

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African Union: 0

The African Union has partially complied with its commitment to work for a reinvigorated and strengthened multilateral system, rooted in the purposes and principles of the United Nations Charter and international law, with renewed institutions and a reformed governance that is more representative, effective, transparent and accountable, reflecting the social, economic and political realities of the 21st century.

On 10 December 2024, the African Union (AU) delegation represented by Legal Counsel of the AU Hajer Gueldich and Makan Moïse Mbengue delivered a statement at the International Court of Justice (ICJ) on the obligations of states with regards to the legal consequences of failing to address climate change.³⁴¹⁴ The AU delegation affirmed the application of the principle of common but differentiated responsibilities and accountability mechanisms for major emitting states. The address demonstrates the AU's commitment to bolstering the international legal order and the institutional effectiveness of the ICJ.

On 23 February 2025, the AU delegation attended the G20 Foreign Ministers' Meeting where they stated key areas of focus under South Africa's G20 Presidency: 1) "Inclusive Economic Growth, Industrialization, Employment, and Inequality," 2) "Food Security and Agriculture," 3) "Artificial Intelligence, Data Governance, and Innovation," 4) "Compact with Africa (CWA)," 5) "Cost of Capital Commission" and 6) "G20 @20 Review Process."³⁴¹⁵ This highlights the AU's commitment to bolstering the institutional effectiveness in global governance and decision-making processes of the G20.

On 17 April 2025, Chairperson of the AU Commission Mahmoud Ali Youssouf met with the Executive Director of the United Nations Office for Project Services (UNOPS) where they discussed enhancing strategic

³⁴¹² Multilateral Sanctions Monitoring Team (MSMT): Joint Statement on the Report Covering DPRK Cyber and IT Worker Activities, Federal Foreign Office (Brussels) 4 November 2025. Access Date: 7 November 2025. <https://www.auswaertiges-amt.de/en/newsroom/news/2741814-2741814>

³⁴¹³ This score of non-compliance was determined after consulting the following sources: <https://www.usa.gov/>, <https://bidenwhitehouse.archives.gov/>, <https://www.whitehouse.gov/>, <https://2021-2025.state.gov/press-releases/>, <https://web.archive.org/web/20250116154937/https://www.usaid.gov/news-information/press-releases>, <https://web.archive.org/web/20250101021131/https://www.congress.gov/>, <https://web.archive.org/web/20250101061622/http://www.senate.gov/>, <https://www.senate.gov/>, <https://www.house.gov/>, <https://www.usatoday.com/>, <https://www.wsj.com/>, <https://www.msnbc.com/>, <https://www.osce.org/>, <https://us.transparency.org/>, <https://usun.usmission.gov/>, <https://g20.org/>, <https://www.reuters.com/>, <https://www.unfpa.org/>, <https://senecaesg.com/>, <https://www.politico.com/>, <https://indonesiabusinesspost.com/> and <https://www.dfat.gov.au/>.

³⁴¹⁴ The African Union (AU) Delivered a Landmark Oral Statement at the International Court of Justice (ICJ) on Climate Justice, African Union Commission (Addis Ababa) 10 December 2024. Access Date: 1 July 2025.

³⁴¹⁵ African Union Delegation Attends 1st G20 Foreign Ministers' Meeting Under South Africa's G20 Presidency, African Union Commission (Addis Ababa) 23 February 2025. Access Date: 30 June 2025. <https://au.int/en/pressreleases/20250223/african-union-delegation-attends-1st-g20-foreign-ministers-meeting-under>

cooperation between the AU and UNOPS in the areas of “peace & security, governance, health systems strengthening, infrastructure and pandemic preparedness.”³⁴¹⁶

On 28 April 2025, AUC Chairperson Youssouf met with the UN Special Envoy for the Great Lakes Region Huang Xia where they reaffirmed their commitment to an AU-UN partnership and focusing on coordinated regional and international peacekeeping efforts to pursue peace and stability.³⁴¹⁷

On 7 March 2025, members of the bureau of the Committee of the Directors general of the National Statistics offices and representatives from the African Union Institute for Statistics (AU STATFRIC) participated in the 56th session of the United Nations Statistical Commission.³⁴¹⁸ This demonstrates the AU’s commitment to supporting the work of the UN Statistical Commission in setting global statistical standards and its role in wider UN processes.

On 7 March 2025, the AU and the United Nations Development Coordination Office (UNDCO) signed the Spotlight Initiative Africa Regional Programme 2.0 (SIARP) Agreement to formalize the AU-UNDCO strategic partnership.³⁴¹⁹ This agreement builds on SIARP 1.0 on driving action towards gender equality and promoting women’s empowerment. It aims to consolidate cooperation between the AU, the EU and the UN through policy harmonization and capacity building. This initiative demonstrates the AU’s commitment to multilateral cooperation and bolstering the institutional effectiveness of the UN.

On 11 March 2025, the African Union Economic, Social and Cultural Council, the United Nations on the Status of Women and the European Economic and Social Committee reaffirmed their commitment to the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action.³⁴²⁰ This demonstrates the AU’s commitment to gender equality policy frameworks and bolstering the institutional effectiveness of the UN.

On 3 May 2025, Representatives for the AU Hajer Gueldich and Mamadou Hébié addressed the ICJ regarding actions committed by Israel that violate international laws and the operation of international organizations such as the United Nations Relief and Works Agency.³⁴²¹ This demonstrates the AU’s commitment to bolstering the institutional effectiveness of the UN.

On 16 May 2025, AUC Chairperson Youssouf met with the Secretary-General of the UN António Guterres where they reaffirmed enhancing strategic partnerships between the AU and the UN focusing on political processes, preventive diplomacy and peace support operations.³⁴²²

³⁴¹⁶ AU Commission Chairperson Meets UNOPS Executive Director to Strengthen Strategic Cooperation, African Union Commission (Addis Ababa) 17 April 2025. Access Date: 1 July 2025. <https://au.int/en/pressreleases/20250417/chairperson-met-un-usg-executive-director-unops>

³⁴¹⁷ AUC Chairperson met with the UN Special Envoy for the Great Lakes Region, Mr. Huang Xia., African Union Commission (Addis Ababa) 28 April 2025. Access Date: 1 July 2025. <https://au.int/en/pressreleases/20250428/chairperson-met-un-special-envoy-great-lakes-region>

³⁴¹⁸ African Union takes part in the 56th session of the UN Statistical Commission, African Union Commission (Addis Ababa) 7 March 2025. Access Date: 30 June 2025. <https://au.int/en/pressreleases/20250307/african-union-takes-part-56th-session-un-statistical-commission>

³⁴¹⁹ African Union and the United Nations Signs the Spotlight Initiative Africa Regional Programme 2.0 Agreement. African Union Commission (Addis Ababa) 7 March 2025. Access Date: 1 July 2025. <https://au.int/en/pressreleases/20250307/african-union-and-united-nations-signs-spotlight-initiative-africa-regional>

³⁴²⁰ Joint EESC-AU ECOSOC Declaration for the UN Commission on the Status of Women (CSW69) / Beijing+30, African Union Commission (Addis Ababa) 11 March 2025. Access Date: 30 June 2025. <https://au.int/en/pressreleases/20250311/joint-eesc-au-ecosoc-declaration-un-commission-status-women-csw69-beijing30>

³⁴²¹ African Union Addresses International Court of Justice on Humanitarian Crisis in Occupied Palestinian Territory, African Union Commission (Addis Ababa) 3 May 2025. Access Date: 30 June 2025. <https://au.int/en/pressreleases/20250503/african-union-addresses-international-court-justice-humanitarian-crisis>

³⁴²² AUC Chairperson met with H.E. Antonio Guterres, Secretary-General of the UN, African Union Commission (Addis Ababa) 16 May 2025. Access Date: 1 July 2025. <https://au.int/en/pressreleases/20250516/auc-chairperson-met-he-antonio-guterres-secretary-general-un>

On 22 May 2025, the AUC on International Law (AUCIL) invited media representatives to their 11th Forum, which focused on Africa's efforts towards WTO reform.³⁴²³

On 24 May 2025, the AU and the World Health Organization (WHO) renewed their strategic partnership through the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding at the 78th World Health Assembly in Geneva.³⁴²⁴ This agreement reaffirms the AU's commitment to bolstering the institutional effectiveness of the WHO in advancing health security, strengthening regulatory harmonization and responses in humanitarian crisis and emergencies and implementing frameworks for disease prevention and control.

On 4 June 2025, Zambia's Foreign Minister Mulambo Haimbe emphasized the importance of reforming the UNSC, especially for fairer representation, as Africa is the only continent without permanent representation at the UNSC at the 13th Ministerial Meeting of the African Union's Committee of Ten (C10).³⁴²⁵

On 4 July 2025, AUC Chairperson Youssouf met with the President of the International Criminal Police Organization (INTERPOL) Ahmed Naser Al-Raisi where both parties reiterated their commitment towards strengthening their partnership to tackle transnational crime and international law in Africa.³⁴²⁶

On 7 July 2025, Angolan President and Chairperson of the African Union João Lourenço emphasized the importance of reforming global governance institutions to better reflect the changes the geopolitical landscape and international order have gone through since the UN's inception.³⁴²⁷

On 22 July 2025, AUC Deputy Chairperson Selma Haddadi met with UN Under-Secretary-General for Operational Support Atul Khare and emphasized the importance of strengthening ties between the AU and UN through knowledge exchange and strategic partnerships.³⁴²⁸

On 24 July 2025, the AU delegation attended the Third G20 Sherpa Meeting ahead of the 2025 G20 Summit, where there were discussions about reforming the international financial system, including the G20 Common Framework for Debt Treatment.³⁴²⁹

On 28 July 2025, AUC Chairperson Youssouf met with the World Food Programme (WFP) Executive Director Cindy McCain and reiterated the AU's interest in working with the WFP to address challenges around food security.³⁴³⁰

³⁴²³ 11TH AUCIL FORUM under the theme: "International Law, WTO Reform and Implementation of the AfCFTA", African Union (Addis Ababa) 22 May 2025. Access Date: 15 July 2025. <https://au.int/fr/node/44488>

³⁴²⁴ African Union and World Health Organization renew strategic partnership to drive impact and strengthen health systems in Africa, African Union Commission (Addis Ababa) 24 May 2025. Access Date: 30 June 2025.

³⁴²⁵ Africa continues its push for permanent seat on UN Security Council, Anadolu Ajansi (Lusaka) 4 June 2025. Access Date: 15 July 2025. <https://www.aa.com.tr/en/africa/africa-continues-its-push-for-permanent-seat-on-un-security-council/3588993>

³⁴²⁶ AUC Chairperson received H.E. Dr. Ahmed Naser Al-Raisi, President of INTERPOL, African Union (Addis Ababa) 4 July 2025. Access Date: 24 August 2025. <https://au.int/en/pressreleases/20250704/auc-chairperson-received-he-dr-ahmed-naser-al-raisi-president-interpol>

³⁴²⁷ African Union Chairperson calls for greater inclusion at BRICS summit in Rio, APA News (Luanda) 7 July 2025. Access Date: 16 July 2025. <https://apanews.net/african-union-chairperson-calls-for-greater-inclusion-at-brics-summit-in-rio/>

³⁴²⁸ AUC Deputy Chairperson met with H.E. Mr. Atul Khare, UN Under-Secretary-General for Operational Support, African Union (Addis Ababa) 22 July 2025. Access Date: 24 August 2025. <https://au.int/en/pressreleases/20250722/auc-deputy-chairperson-met-un-under-secretary-general-operational-support>

³⁴²⁹ African Union Joins Third G20 Sherpa Meeting to Advance Africa's Priorities Ahead of the G20 2025 Leaders' Summit, African Union (Addis Ababa) 24 July 2025. Access Date: 24 August 2025. <https://au.int/en/pressreleases/20250724/african-union-joins-third-g20-sherpa-meeting-advance-africas-priorities-ahead>

³⁴³⁰ AUC Chairperson met with @WFP Executive Director H.E. @CindyMcCain, African Union (Addis Ababa) 28 July 2025. Access Date: 24 August 2025. <https://au.int/en/pressreleases/20250728/auc-chairperson-met-wfp-executive-director-he-cindymccain>

On 29 July 2025, AUC Chairperson Youssouf met with the UN Deputy Secretary-General Amina Mohammed and reiterated their commitment to the AU-UN Framework Agreement, which aims to strengthen partnership for peace and security.³⁴³¹

On 29 July 2025, AUC Chairperson Youssouf met with Director General of the Islamic Organization for Food Security (IOFS) Ambassador Berik Aryn and discussed bolstering AUC-UN cooperation to tackle food security and transform agriculture, which are a part of the AU Agenda 2063.³⁴³²

On 29 June 2025, the AU released details for the 13th High-Level Dialogue on Human Rights, Democracy and Governance.³⁴³³ The rationale for this year's theme, "Justice for Africans and people of African Descent through reparations," aims to allow AU member states to discuss how to bolster stronger relations within the UN system.

On 8 August 2025, Deputy Chairperson Haddadi met with WHO Africa's Director Mohamed Yakub Janabi to discuss strengthening collaboration between the AU and WHO.³⁴³⁴

On 13 August 2025, the AU, with South Africa, the AU Commission, the AU-Continental Africa Water Investment Programme (AIP), AU-AIP International High-Level Panel on Water Investments for Africa and the African Union Development Agency–New Partnership for Africa's Development convened the 2025 AU-AIP Water Investment Summit in the context of South Africa's G20 Presidency, aiming to accelerate investments into African water and sanitation programmes by promoting a pipeline of investible projects and enabling an environment for landmark investment partnerships and transformative financing.³⁴³⁵ This demonstrates the AU's commitment to advancing efforts towards inclusive and sustainable economic growth and social advancement.

On 21 September 2025, the UN, EU and AU reaffirmed their commitment to peace and sustainable development in Africa and to multilateralism as "the most effective way to address today's challenges."³⁴³⁶ They also pledged deeper trilateral cooperation to advance African-led solutions to peace and security challenges.

On 7 October 2025, the AU participated in the AU-EU 20th Human Rights Dialogue in Brussels.³⁴³⁷ The Dialogue concluded with the release of a Joint Communiqué that reaffirmed the principle of universality and mutually reinforcing nature of all human rights to continue guiding the EU's and AU's joint efforts in the multilateral sphere to strengthen the right to development. They underlined the importance of joint programs addressing youth and continuing the Dialogue annually to jointly assess the state of Human Rights in Europe and Africa.

³⁴³¹ AUC Chairperson received UN Deputy Secretary-General H.E. Amina J. Mohammed, African Union (Addis Ababa) 29 July 2025. Access Date: 24 August 2025. <https://au.int/en/pressreleases/20250729/auc-chairperson-received-un-deputy-secretary-general-he-amina-j-mohammed>

³⁴³² AUC Chairperson met with H.E. Amb. Berik Aryn, Director General of Islamic Organization for Food Security (IOFS), on the margins of #UNFSS+4, African Union (Addis Ababa) 29 July 2025. Access Date: 24 August 2025. <https://au.int/en/pressreleases/20250729/auc-chairperson-met-he-amb-berik-aryn-director-general-iofs>

³⁴³³ 13th High Level Dialogue on Human Rights, Democracy and Governance: Trends, Challenges and Prospects, African Union (Addis Ababa) 29 July 2025. Access Date: 24 August 2025. <https://au.int/en/newsevents/20250729/13th-high-level-dialogue-human-rights-democracy-and-governance>

³⁴³⁴ AUC Deputy Chairperson received @WHOAFRO Director Prof. Mohamed Yakub Janabi, African Union (Addis Ababa) 8 August 2025. Access Date: 24 August 2025. <https://au.int/en/pressreleases/20250808/auc-deputy-chairperson-received-whoafro-director-prof-mohamed-yakub-janabi>

³⁴³⁵ African Union-AIP Water Investment Summit 2025, African Union (Addis Ababa) 13 August 2025. Access Date: 15 August 2025. <https://au.int/en/newsevents/20250813/african-union-aip-water-investment-summit-2025>

³⁴³⁶ UN, AU, and EU leaders pledge joint push for peace and development in Africa, UN News (New York) 21 September 2025. Access Date: 8 October 2025. <https://news.un.org/en/story/2025/09/1165905>

³⁴³⁷ AU-EU: Joint communiqué on the 20th Human Rights Dialogue, 7 October 2025, Brussels, Belgium, African Union (Brussels) 12 October 2025. Access Date: 8 October 2025. <https://www.peaceau.org/en/article/au-eu-joint-communiqué-on-the-20th-human-rights-dialogue-7-october-2025-brussels-belgium>

On 20 October 2025, the AU and the UN held the Third Retreat of the AU Special Representatives/Permanent Representatives of the Chairperson of the Commission SRCCs/PRs and the UN Special Representatives/Special Envoys/Personal Envoys of the Secretary-General (SRSGs/SESGs/PESGs) under the theme of “Strengthening Collaboration in Conflict Prevention and Resolution in Africa.”³⁴³⁸ Participants underscored the importance of reforming global governance architecture such as the UNSC and Bretton Woods institutions.

The African Union has partially complied in its commitment to work for a reinvigorated and strengthened multilateral system, rooted in the purposes and principles of the UN Charter and international law. The African Union has taken moderate action to reform international organizations such as the ICJ, the WHO, the G20 and relevant UN bodies. In addition, it has taken steps to meet the key criteria of institutional effectiveness. However, it has not taken strong action to reform other international organizations or advocate for reform under the criteria of transparency and accountability.

Thus, the African Union receives a score of 0.

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European Union: +1

The European Union has fully complied with its commitment to work for a reinvigorated and strengthened multilateral system, rooted in the purposes and principles of the United Nations Charter and international law, with renewed institutions and a reformed governance that is more representative, effective, transparent and accountable, reflecting the social, economic and political realities of the 21st century.

On 24 November 2024, Commissioner for Justice Didier Reynders delivered a statement at the 13th UN Forum on Business and Human Rights.³⁴³⁹ He stated the importance of international frameworks including the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights and the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) Guidelines. Commissioner Reynders further supported the development of a Legally Binding Instrument on Business and Human Rights at the UN level to bolster institutional effectiveness and institutional transparency and accountability.

On 5 December 2024, the EU and the Southern Common Market (MERCOSUR) reached an agreement on a partnership agreement.³⁴⁴⁰ This initiative promotes the institutional effectiveness of MERCOSUR through advancing and removing barriers to economic growth and sustainable development.³⁴⁴¹ It bolsters the institutional transparency and accountability of MERCOSUR through the implementation of a dispute settlement mechanism involving external representatives and a commitment towards regulatory transparency for Small and Medium-sized Enterprises (SMEs). The partnership aligns with international standards and regulations, upholding the legitimacy and effectiveness of the International Labour Organization (ILO).

On 6 January 2025, Commissioner for Trade and Economic Security; Interinstitutional Relations and Transparency Maroš Šefčovič stated the EU’s commitment to revitalizing the World Trade Organization

³⁴³⁸ JOINT STATEMENT: The Third Retreat of the African Union SRCCs/PRs and United Nations SRSGs/SESGs “Strengthening Collaboration in Conflict Prevention and Resolution in Africa” Aswan, Egypt, 20 October 2025, African Union Peace and Security Department (Aswan) 6 November 2025. Access Date: 7 November 2025. <https://www.peaceau.org/en/article/joint-statement-the-third-retreat-of-the-african-union-srccs-prs-and-united-nations-srsgs-sesgs-strengthening-collaboration-in-conflict-prevention-and-resolution-in-africa-aswan-egypt-20-october-2025>

³⁴³⁹ Video statement by Commissioner Reynders for the opening plenary of the 13th UN Forum on Business and Human Rights, European Commission (Geneva) 24 November 2024. Access Date: 1 July 2025. https://ec.europa.eu/commission/presscorner/detail/en/speech_24_6082

³⁴⁴⁰ EU and Mercosur reach political agreement on groundbreaking partnership, European Commission (Brussels) 5 December 2024. Access Date: 1 July 2025. https://ec.europa.eu/commission/presscorner/detail/en/ip_24_6244

³⁴⁴¹ Questions and answers on the EU-Mercosur partnership agreement *, European Commission (Brussels) 5 December 2024. Access Date: 1 July 2025. https://ec.europa.eu/commission/presscorner/detail/en/qanda_24_6245

(WTO) through strengthening rules-based trade; promoting the WTO's role on industrial policies; a level-playing field and economic security.³⁴⁴²

On 19 January 2025, Commissioner for Defence and Space Andrius committed to strengthening cooperation with North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) and implement information sharing mechanisms on NATO capability targets at the meeting of the North Atlantic Council.³⁴⁴³ This demonstrates the EU's commitment to bolstering the institutional effectiveness and institutional transparency and accountability of NATO.

On 21 January 2025, Commissioner Kubilius reaffirmed the EU's support for and collaboration with NATO and the European Defence Agency in assessing defense capabilities and setting defense targets.³⁴⁴⁴

On 4 February 2025, the European Economic and Social Committee (EESC) and the International Labor Organization (ILO) held a joint high-level conference: 'Social Justice in the Digital Era: AI's impact on work and society' with the agenda of 'how AI can contribute to inclusive labor markets, decent work, and social justice.'³⁴⁴⁵ The conference concluded with a call for multilateral cooperation. The EESC and ILO also committed to continued collaboration with the Global Coalition for Social Justice, ensuring that AI governance remains a key priority for policymakers across Europe and beyond.

On 8 February 2025, President of the European Commission Ursula von der Leyen stated the importance of bolstering collective efforts between the EU and NATO to secure critical network infrastructure at the joint press conference at the Synchronisation Baltic Connectors opening event.³⁴⁴⁶ President von der Leyen outlined four key priorities including prevention, detection, fast response and repair and deterrence. This demonstrates the EU's commitment to bolstering the institutional effectiveness of NATO defense capabilities.

On 10 February 2025, Commissioner for Democracy, Justice, the Rule of Law and Consumer Protection Michael McGrath reaffirmed the EU's support for the International Court of Justice (ICJ) as the principal judicial organ of the UN and its contribution to maintaining international rules-based order.³⁴⁴⁷ Commissioner McGrath further reiterated the binding force of and compliance to ICJ decisions. This demonstrates the EU's commitment to bolstering the institutional effectiveness of the ICJ.

On 11 February 2025, the European Commission adopted the 2025 work programme where the EU committed to investing strategically through NATO partnership to "enhance crisis anticipation and resilience" and reinforce collective defense and security.³⁴⁴⁸

³⁴⁴² Remarks by Commissioner Šefčovič following his visit to the World Trade Organization, European Commission (Geneva) 6 January 2025. Access Date: 1 July 2025. https://ec.europa.eu/commission/presscorner/detail/en/speech_25_61

³⁴⁴³ Speech by Commissioner Kubilius at the meeting of the North Atlantic Council, 20 January 2025, European Commission (Brussels) 19 January 2025. Access Date: 1 July 2025. https://ec.europa.eu/commission/presscorner/detail/en/speech_25_296

³⁴⁴⁴ Commissioner Kubilius's speech at the European Defence Agency Annual Conference, 22 January 2025, European Commission (Brussels) 21 January 2025. Access Date: 1 July 2025. https://ec.europa.eu/commission/presscorner/detail/en/speech_25_313

³⁴⁴⁵ EESC and ILO join forces to shape a fair and inclusive AI-driven future at high-level conference, European Economic and Social Committee (Brussels) 4 February 2025. Access Date: 1 April 2025.

³⁴⁴⁶ Statement by President von der Leyen at the joint press conference at the Synchronisation Baltic Connectors opening event, European Commission (Vilnius) 8 February 2025. Access Date: 1 July 2025. https://ec.europa.eu/commission/presscorner/detail/en/statement_25_452

³⁴⁴⁷ Commissioner McGrath delivers remarks at the European plenary debate, "Protecting the system of international justice and its institutions, in particular the International Criminal Court and the International Court of Justice, European Commission (Brussels) 10 February 2025. Access Date: 1 July 2025. https://ec.europa.eu/commission/presscorner/detail/en/speech_25_521

³⁴⁴⁸ A bolder, simpler, faster Union: the 2025 Commission work programme, European Commission (Brussels) 11 February 2025. Access Date: 1 July 2025. https://ec.europa.eu/commission/presscorner/detail/en/ip_25_466

On 12 February 2025, Commissioner for Climate, Net Zero and Clean Growth Wopke Hoekstra stated the importance of increasing system compatibility and collaboration with NATO to address global geopolitical challenges at the Munich European Conference.³⁴⁴⁹

On 11 March 2025, Foreign Policy Chief Kaja Kallas called for multilateralism and urged reform of the UN Security Council (UNSC) in a speech at the annual session on UN-EU cooperation.³⁴⁵⁰ She reaffirmed the EU's commitment to multilateral solutions and held reform of the Security Council as a necessary condition for the fulfillment of the responsibilities of ensuring the maintenance of international peace and security.

On 12 March 2025, President von der Leyen and President of the European Council António Costa met with President of South Africa Cyril Ramaphosa where the leaders issued a joint statement on a renewed commitment to multilateral cooperation of international organizations at the 8th Summit between the EU and South Africa.³⁴⁵¹ The leaders committed to strengthening the G20, reforming the UNSC to include underrepresented regions and reforming the WTO to improve its governance and align with today's realities.

On 14 March 2025, G7 Foreign Ministers released the G7 Foreign Ministers' Declaration on Maritime Security and Prosperity. The ministers reaffirmed the G7's commitment to "a free, open, and secure maritime domain based on the rule of law that strengthens international security, fosters economic prosperity, and ensures the sustainable use of marine resources." The ministers also reiterated their commitment to tackling the "Emerging Threat on Safe Seas and Freedom of Navigation and Overflight," "Safe Shipping and Supply Chain Security," "Sustainable Stewardship of Maritime Resources" and partnerships. This reflects their commitment to promoting dialogue between G7 members and stakeholders and bolstering the institutional effectiveness on matters related to maritime security and prosperity. They also released a joint statement that reaffirmed G7 support for "Ukraine's long-term prosperity and security," "Regional peace and stability in the Middle East," "Cooperation to increase security and resilience across the Indo-Pacific," "Building stability and resilience in Haiti and Venezuela," "Supporting lasting peace in Sudan and the Democratic Republic of the Congo" and "Strengthening sanctions and countering hybrid warfare and sabotage." The joint statement reflects the G7's commitment to strengthening the institutional effectiveness of the G7.

On 3 April 2025, the EU, Kazakhstan, the Kyrgyz Republic, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan and Uzbekistan signed a joint declaration following the first EU-Central Asia Summit, committing to upholding the principles of the UN Charter and the principles of the Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe.³⁴⁵² This demonstrates the EU's commitment to bolstering the institutional representativeness and effectiveness of the UN and the OSCE through engaging with Central Asian countries and strengthening cooperation.

On 4 April 2025, President Costa and President von der Leyen reaffirmed their support for the accession of Uzbekistan and Turkmenistan to the WTO.³⁴⁵³ This demonstrates the EU's commitment to bolstering the institutional representativeness of the WTO.

³⁴⁴⁹ Keynote speech by Commissioner Hoekstra at Münchner Europakonferenz, European Commission (Munich) 12 February 2025. Translation by Google Translate. Access Date: 1 July 2025. https://ec.europa.eu/commission/presscorner/detail/en/speech_25_512

³⁴⁵⁰ United Nations: Speech by High Representative Kaja Kallas at the annual UN Security Council session on EU-UN cooperation, European Union External Action (New York) 11 March 2025. Access Date: 10 May 2025. https://www.eeas.europa.eu/eeas/united-nations-speech-high-representative-kaja-kallas-annual-un-security-council-session-eu-un_en

³⁴⁵¹ EU - South Africa Summit Declaration, European Commission (Cape Town) 12 March 2025. Access Date: 1 July 2025. https://ec.europa.eu/commission/presscorner/detail/en/statement_25_773

³⁴⁵² Joint Declaration following the First European Union-Central Asia Summit, European Commission (Samarkand) 3 April 2025. Access Date: 1 July 2025. https://ec.europa.eu/commission/presscorner/detail/en/statement_25_980

³⁴⁵³ Joint press release on the EU-Central Asia Summit, European Commission (Samarkand) 3 April 2025. Access Date: 1 July 2025. https://ec.europa.eu/commission/presscorner/detail/en/ip_25_983

On 20 May 2025, Commissioner for Equality Hadja Lahbib reaffirmed the EU's commitment to international rules-based order rooted in the principles of the United Nations and committed to collaborating with UN agencies and international NGOs to reform the humanitarian system at the European Humanitarian Forum.³⁴⁵⁴

On 16 June 2025, the EU released a statement alongside the G7 Leaders, which included a section on working towards removing investment barriers in development finance institutions for low-and middle-income countries, showing the EU's commitment towards increasing representation within international organizations.³⁴⁵⁵

On 16 June 2025, the EU coordinated with the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) on the 32nd Joint Cooperation Committee (JCC) Meeting in Jakarta, where both sides reiterated their commitment to bolster the rules-based multilateral system and endorse international norms and laws.³⁴⁵⁶

On 17 June 2025, President von der Leyen participated in the G7 Summit, hosting press conferences about the ongoing conflicts in Ukraine and the Middle East, as well as emphasizing international cooperation between the G7 partners for global economic security and political issues.³⁴⁵⁷

On 22 June 2025, President von der Leyen held a discussion with President Costa and Canadian Prime Minister Mark Carney about the ongoing support the two parties had been providing to Ukraine in the context of Canada's G7 Presidency and in NATO, as well as the deepening of partnership through Horizon Europe and the EU-Canada Industrial Policy Dialogue.³⁴⁵⁸

On 23 June 2025, President von der Leyen met with President Zelenskyy of Ukraine, NATO Secretary-General Rutte and President Costa and promised continued support from the EU as well as G7 foreign ministers for Ukraine, as it fights to protect international values and principles.³⁴⁵⁹

On 23 June 2025, President von der Leyen called for strengthening cooperation within the EU with NATO allies as well as continuing coordinated support towards Ukraine, for a stronger and safer NATO and Europe.³⁴⁶⁰

On 24 June 2025, the EU released a joint press release about the importance of discussing reforming global health governance, pointing to how the Global Alliance for Vaccines and Immunization (Gavi), which is

³⁴⁵⁴ Closing Speech by Commissioner Lahbib at the European Humanitarian Forum, European Commission (Brussels) 20 May 2025. Access Date: 1 July 2025. https://ec.europa.eu/commission/presscorner/detail/en/speech_25_1300

³⁴⁵⁵ G7 Leaders' statements, European Commission (Kananaskis) 16 June 2025. Access Date: 24 August 2025. https://ec.europa.eu/commission/presscorner/detail/en/statement_25_1552

³⁴⁵⁶ Joint Press Release of the 32nd ASEAN-EU Joint Cooperation Committee (JCC) Meeting, Association of Southeast Asian Nations (Jakarta) 16 June 2025. Access Date: 24 August 2025. <https://asean.org/joint-press-release-of-the-32nd-asean-eu-joint-cooperation-committee-jcc-meeting/>

³⁴⁵⁷ President von der Leyen participates in the G7 Summit with focus on global economic security and geopolitics, European Commission (Brussels) 17 June 2025. Access Date: 24 August 2025. https://ec.europa.eu/commission/presscorner/detail/en/ac_25_1562

³⁴⁵⁸ Statement by President von der Leyen at the joint press conference with President Costa and Prime Minister Carney of Canada, European Commission (Brussels) 22 June 2025. Access Date: 24 August 2025. https://ec.europa.eu/commission/presscorner/detail/en/statement_25_1596

³⁴⁵⁹ Statement by President von der Leyen with President Zelenskyy, NATO Secretary-General Rutte and President Costa, European Commission (The Hague) 23 June 2025. Access Date: 24 August 2025. https://ec.europa.eu/commission/presscorner/detail/en/statement_25_1609

³⁴⁶⁰ Speech by President von der Leyen at the opening session of the NATO Summit Defence Industry Forum, European Commission (The Hague) 23 June 2025. Access Date: 24 August 2025. https://ec.europa.eu/commission/presscorner/detail/en/speech_25_1606

undergoing reform through Gavi Leap, is an effective model to follow for pursuing reform for global health institutions.³⁴⁶¹

On 2 July 2025, Commissioner for the Mediterranean Dubravka Šuica spoke about the importance of women's economic empowerment in Europe and recognized the UN system for being instrumental in the effort to ensure gender equality.³⁴⁶² Commissioner Šuica also emphasized the EU's willingness to partner with the UN through the UN Spotlight Initiative to continue working towards ending violence against women and girls.

On 22 July 2025, the EU released a joint statement after the EU-Japan Summit, which emphasized both parties' commitment towards working with others to solve international challenges and foster an effective, representative and fair global governance system, in particular through upholding multilateralism, international law and the UN Charter.³⁴⁶³

On 23 July 2025, President von der Leyen and President Costa discussed matters of trade, investment, market access, export controls, the Russia-Ukraine War and climate change with President of China Xi Jinping during the EU-China Summit.³⁴⁶⁴ Both parties committed to finding pragmatic solutions despite differences, and the EU reaffirmed its readiness to enhance bilateral cooperation.

On 27 July 2025, Commissioner Šuica expressed support for the two-state solution for Palestine, citing that it aligns with international law.³⁴⁶⁵ Commissioner Šuica also pledged the EU's support to both Israel and Palestine to work together in ensuring a fair and effective end to the war.

On 28 July 2025, the EU and the Arab League co-chaired the working group, "Peace Day Effort," during the UN "High-level International Conference for the Peaceful Settlement of the Question of Palestine and the Implementation of the Two-State Solution."³⁴⁶⁶ The high-level plenary meeting and working groups facilitated discussions and consensus-building on concrete steps for international engagement and humanitarian action. This demonstrates the EU's commitment to bolstering the institutional effectiveness of the UN.

On 8 August 2025, the EU, along with G7 members in the G7 Rapid Response Mechanism (RRM) released a statement following the Hong Kong Arrest Warrants.³⁴⁶⁷ This statement highlighted the role of the G7 RRM as a protection for state sovereignty and the need for the RRM to protect these rights and freedoms.

On 29 August 2025, the Ambassador of the EU to the UN Stavros Lambrinidis reaffirmed continuing political, financial, economic, humanitarian, military and diplomatic support to Ukraine and stated that Russia should be held fully accountable for its acts of aggression in violation of the UN Charter and international law at the UN

³⁴⁶¹ Joint press release: World leaders recommit to immunisation amidst global funding shortfall, European Commission (Brussels) 25 June 2025. Access Date: 16 July 2025. https://ec.europa.eu/commission/presscorner/detail/en/ip_25_1626

³⁴⁶² Speech by Commissioner Šuica at the UN Spotlight Initiative Ending Violence Against Women and Girls, European Commission (Seville) 2 July 2025. Access Date: 24 August 2025. https://ec.europa.eu/commission/presscorner/detail/en/speech_25_1729

³⁴⁶³ Joint statement following the EU-Japan Summit 2025, European Commission (Tokyo) 22 July 2025. Access Date: 24 August 2025. https://ec.europa.eu/commission/presscorner/detail/en/statement_25_1890

³⁴⁶⁴ Statement by President von der Leyen with President Costa following the EU-China Summit, European Commission (Beijing) 23 July 2025. Access Date: 16 August 2025. https://ec.europa.eu/commission/presscorner/detail/en/statement_25_1903

³⁴⁶⁵ Remarks by Commissioner Šuica at the high-level conference on the two-state solution for Palestine, European Commission (New York) 27 July 2025. Access Date: 24 August 2025. https://ec.europa.eu/commission/presscorner/detail/en/speech_25_1925

³⁴⁶⁶ High-level International Conference for the Peaceful Settlement of the Question of Palestine and the Implementation of the Two-State Solution, United Nations (New York) n.d. Access Date: 25 September 2025. <https://www.un.org/unispal/high-level-conference-two-state-solution-july2025>

³⁴⁶⁷ G7 Rapid Response Mechanism (RRM) Statement on Hong Kong Arrest Warrants, Global Affairs Canada (Ottawa) 8 August 2025. Access Date: 16 August 2025. <https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2025/08/g7-rapid-response-mechanism-rrm-statement-on-hong-kong-arrest-warrants.html>

Security Council on Maintenance of Peace and Security of Ukraine.³⁴⁶⁸ This demonstrates the EU's commitment to upholding accountability in multilateral institutions and its commitment to bilateral partnerships.

On 12 September 2025, the EU Delegation along with 48 other countries issued a joint press statement condemning the largest violation of Polish airspace by Russian drones since the beginning of the war in Ukraine and called for the Russian Federation to abide by the obligations enshrined in the Charter of the UN, showing the EU's commitment towards upholding international law and the principles of the UN Charter.³⁴⁶⁹

On 17 September 2025, Australia and the EU released a joint press statement following the 7th Australia-EU Joint Committee Meeting.³⁴⁷⁰ In this statement, Australia and the EU committed to cooperating in order to deeply reform the World Trade Organization.

On 21 September 2025, the UN, EU and the African Union (AU) reaffirmed their commitment to peace and sustainable development in Africa and to multilateralism as “the most effective way to address today's challenges.”³⁴⁷¹ They also pledged deeper trilateral cooperation to advance African-led solutions to peace and security challenges.

On 22 September 2025, the Africa-Europe Women Leaders Network meeting occurred to jointly drive a shared agenda for the 7th AU-EU Summit and build on the group's current advocacy efforts for sustainable development and finance.³⁴⁷²

On 23 September 2025, the European Union, together with the G7 countries' foreign ministers, issued a joint statement recognizing the fundamental need for UN reform and expressing willingness to participate in the process.³⁴⁷³

On 23 September 2025, Indian External Affairs Minister Jaishankar attended an informal meeting of EU Foreign Ministers hosted by the EU High Representative of Foreign Affairs Kaja Kallas at the UNGA to discuss Ukraine conflict, Gaza situation, multilateralism, energy and India-EU relations.³⁴⁷⁴

³⁴⁶⁸ EU Statement – UN Security Council: Maintenance of Peace and Security of Ukraine, Delegation of the European Union to the United Nations in New York (New York) 29 August 2025. Access Date: 8 October 2025.

https://www.eeas.europa.eu/delegations/un-new-york/eu-statement—un-security-council-maintenance-peace-and-security-ukraine-14_en?s=63

³⁴⁶⁹ Joint statement by 48 countries and the EU Delegation ahead of an emergency Security Council Meeting, Ministry of Foreign Affairs Republic of Poland (New York) 12 September 2025. Access Date: 8 October 2025.

<https://www.gov.pl/web/diplomacy/joint-statement-by-48-countries-and-the-eu-delegation-ahead-of-an-emergency-security-council-meeting>

³⁴⁷⁰ Joint press statement on the 7th Australia-EU Joint Committee Meeting, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (Canberra) 17 September 2025. Access Date: 10 October 2025. <https://www.dfat.gov.au/news/media-release/joint-press-statement-7th-australia-eu-joint-committee-meeting>

³⁴⁷¹ UN, AU, and EU leaders pledge joint push for peace and development in Africa, United Nations News (New York) 21 September 2025. Access Date: 8 October 2025. <https://news.un.org/en/story/2025/09/1165905>.

³⁴⁷² AEF at the 80th Session of the UN General Assembly (UNGA80), Africa Europe Foundation (New York) 22 September 2025. Access Date: 8 October 2025. [https://www.africaeuropefoundation.org/areas-of-action/aef-at-the-80th-session-of-the-un-general-assembly-\(unga80\)/](https://www.africaeuropefoundation.org/areas-of-action/aef-at-the-80th-session-of-the-un-general-assembly-(unga80)/)

³⁴⁷³ Joint G7 Foreign Ministers' Statement – Meeting of the G7 Foreign Ministers on the Margins of the High-Level Week at the United Nations General Assembly in New York, Global Affairs Canada (New York) 23 September 2025. Access Date: 10 October 2025. <https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2025/09/joint-g7-foreign-ministers-statement--meeting-of-the-g7-foreign-ministers-on-the-margins-of-the-high-level-week-at-the-united-nations-general-assem.html>

³⁴⁷⁴ Jaishankar meets EU ministers at UNGA, discusses Ukraine, Gaza, The Federal Voice of the States (New York) 23 September 2025. Access Date: 8 October 2025. <https://thefederal.com/category/news/jaishankar-eu-ministers-unga-ukraine-gaza-trade-208118>

On 23 September 2025, the EU Directorate-General for Communication stated that the focus of EU engagement in the 80th UNGA is to renew its commitment to multilateralism based on international law and to deepen partnerships across regions.³⁴⁷⁵

On 26 September 2025, European Council President Antonio Costa affirmed the EU's stance in favor of multilateralism at the 80th session of the UN General Assembly in New York, vowing that the EU "will remain a steadfast defender of multilateralism" and warned against a chaotic and violent future in the absence of multilateralism.³⁴⁷⁶

On 7 October 2025, the AU-EU 20th Human Rights Dialogue happened in Brussels, resulting in a Joint Communique that reaffirmed the principle of universality and mutually reinforcing nature of all human rights to continue guiding EU's and AU's joint efforts in the multilateral sphere to strengthen the right to development.³⁴⁷⁷ They underlined the importance of joint programs addressing youth and continuing the Dialogue annually to jointly assess the state of Human Rights in Europe and Africa.

On 8 October 2025, members of the G7 and the Nordic-Baltic 8++ (Belgium, Canada, Denmark, Estonia, European Union, Finland, France, Germany, Iceland, Italy, Japan, Latvia, Lithuania, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Sweden and the United Kingdom) released a joint statement committing to enhance cooperation and advance efforts on disrupting and deterring global shadow fleet activity.³⁴⁷⁸ Members further reaffirmed their commitment to upholding international law such as the UN Convention on the Law of the Sea and acting in accordance with International Maritime Organization and International Labour Organization conventions and resolutions.

On 9 October 2025, President Ramaphosa reaffirmed South Africa and the EU's working relationship, as well as their shared commitment towards multilateralism, UN reform as well as protecting and upholding the principles of the UN Charter such as human rights, sustainability and peace.³⁴⁷⁹

On 15 October 2025, the European Commission and the High Representative proposed the "Preserving Peace – Defence Readiness Roadmap 2030" to strengthen European defence capabilities, which in turn advances NATO capability targets.³⁴⁸⁰

The European Union has fully complied with its commitment to work for a reinvigorated and strengthened multilateral system, rooted in the purposes and principles of the UN Charter and international law. The European Union has taken strong action to reform international organizations such as MERCOSUR and aligned with the key criteria of institutional effectiveness and transparency and accountability. It has taken several moderate actions to bolster the OSCE, G7, NATO, UNSC and ICJ through verbal reaffirmations.

³⁴⁷⁵ EU's Costa warns world faces 'chaotic and violent' future without multilateralism, Anadolu Ajansi (London) 26 September 2025. Access Date: 8 October 2025. <https://www.aa.com.tr/en/europe/eu-s-costa-warns-world-faces-chaotic-and-violent-future-without-multilateralism/3699463>

³⁴⁷⁶ 80th UN General Assembly: EU renews commitment to multilateralism, European Commission (Brussels) 23 September 2025. Access Date: 8 October 2025. https://commission.europa.eu/news-and-media/news/80th-un-general-assembly-eu-renews-commitment-multilateralism-2025-09-23_en

³⁴⁷⁷ AU-EU: Joint communique on the 20th Human Rights Dialogue, 7 October 2025, Brussels, Belgium, African Union (Brussels) 12 October 2025. Access Date: 8 October 2025. <https://www.peaceau.org/en/article/au-eu-joint-communique-on-the-20th-human-rights-dialogue-7-october-2025-brussels-belgium>

³⁴⁷⁸ Joint statement: Shadow Fleet Task Force, Global Affairs Canada (Ottawa) 10 October 2025. Access Date: 28 October 2025. <https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2025/10/joint-statement-shadow-fleet-task-force.html>

³⁴⁷⁹ President Cyril Ramaphosa: Media briefing on working visit to European Union, Brussels, Belgium, South African Government (Brussels) 9 October 2025. Access Date: 20 October 2025. <https://www.gov.za/news/media-statements/president-cyril-ramaphosa-media-briefing-working-visit-european-union>

³⁴⁸⁰ Commission and High Representative present new Defence Roadmap to strengthen European defence capabilities, European Commission (Brussels) 15 October 2025. Access Date: 7 November 2025. https://ec.europa.eu/commission/presscorner/detail/en/ip_25_2396

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