H2 History (Paper 1)

Theme 3: Safeguarding International Peace and Security

QUESTIONS TO PREPARE

- Why were some ____ more effective than others?
 - o UN Organs
 - o UNSG
 - o PKO
 - Reforms
- Assess the effectiveness / relevance of
 - o UN
 - UNGA
 - o UNSC
 - o UNSG
 - o PKO
 - o ICJ
 - Reforms
 - Sovereignty
 - Great Power politics
 - Operational constraints
 - Regionalism
- Effectiveness depended on / hindered by OR Evaluate the role of:
 - Cold War [GA/SC/SG/PKO/ICJ]
 - US [GA/SC/SG/PKO/ICJ/Reforms]
 - USSR [GA/SC/SG/PKO/ICJ/Reforms]
 - P5 interests [GA/SC/SG/PKO/ICJ/Reforms]
 - UN Charter / Structural weaknesses [GA/SC/SG/PKO/ICJ]
 - Local actors / requirement of consent [SG/PKO/ICJ]
 - P5 veto [SC]
 - Entry of new members [GA]
- Comparative
 - Which was a bigger hindrance: UNGA or UNSC
 - Which played a bigger role / more effective: UNGA or UNSC
 - o Which had real power: UNGA or UNSC
 - Which played a bigger role / more effective: UNSG or UNSC
 - Which was more successful: ICJ or Reforms
- Weird questions
 - Revitalised / more effective after the Cold War [GA/SC/SG/PKO/ICJ]
 - Sec-Gens were a product of their time
 - o Sec-Gens had their hands tied
 - More secretary than general / more passive than active
 - Maintaining international law was the UN's greatest achievement
 - UN successes in maintaining international law was dependent on ICJ
 - UN was not adequately prepared for post-Cold War challenges

- o End of Cold War changed the UNSG's role
- o Inherent weaknesses were revealed with the end of the Cold War
- o Cold war rivalry made the UNGA more relevant / important
- \circ $\;$ To what extent has the United Nations Peacekeeping maintained relevance in the pursuit of international peace and security since its inception?
- Problems remained the same
 UNSC reform was the most important aspect of reform
 Reforms were more effective after the Cold War

CASE STUDIES

Year(s)	Issue	UNGA	UNSC	Sec-Gens	Peacekeeping
1947	Indian Partition Britain, in withdrawing from British India, partitioned it into India and Pakistan		Hidden veto Not debated due to British involvement		
1948-94	Apartheid South Africa • Institutionalised racial segregation	Ineffective condemnation 1962: Resolution 1761 condemned apartheid South Africa That said, it did not end apartheid nor prevent Mandela's imprisonment in 1964 Effective condemnation 1987: UNGA adopts a voluntary oil embargo including over 130 nations on apartheid South Africa Apartheid collapses in the early 1990s			Cooperation with Organisation of African Unity, the Commonwealth and EU • 1992: UN observer forces to monitor developments in post-apartheid South Africa were complemented by OAU, Commonwealth and EU staff
1948-	Israel-Palestine Conflict Continued violence between Israelis and Palestinians, due to competing claims over the same land	1947: Constrained by local actors Resolution 181(II) recommended a partition to resolve violence Never implemented, due to fierce Palestinian opposition to the plan 1980, 1997: Ineffective UFP Issue passed to the UNGA after the US veto in the UNSC UNGA resolutions have been ignored by Israel and the US Meaningless resolutions 1975: Resolution 3379 ("Zionism equals racism") passed then repealed	1967: Framework for consensus building Resolution 242 passed unanimously after weeks of negotiation, despite major animosity between Israel and the Arab states initially Contributed to peace treaties between Israel and Egypt (1979) and Jordan (1994), as well as the 1993 and 1995 agreements with the Palestinians Source of rising US vetoes 1990-2006: 12 out of 19 vetoes were used to block language that condemns Israel		

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1950-53	Korean War North Korea invades the South UN intervenes militarily Military stalemate and armistice	Introduction of UFP To prevent further Soviet vetoes Effective condemnation 1951: Resolution 500 recommended a trade embargo against the People's Republic of China and North Korea for aggression in the Korean War 47 nations imposed an embargo, forcing the PRC and North Korea to depend on Soviet assistance	Article 42 invoked to allow for UN military intervention • US-led campaign • Soviets were boycotting the UN	Article 99 invoked to convene the UNSC Soviet veto of reappointment • Lie proactively invoked Article 99 of the UN Charter to convene the Security Council and lobby for a UN intervention in the Korean War against Soviet forces • USSR vetoed his re-appointment in 1952	
1954-62	Algerian War Algerian National Liberation Front fought the French to secure independence		Not debated due to French involvement		
1955	Peking Formula • Hammarskjold negotiated the release of 15 US airmen detained by China			Fostering diplomacy • Hammarskjold personally visited Beijing and negotiated the release of 15 US airmen detained by China	
1956	Suez Crisis Egypt's Nasser nationalises the Suez Canal Company Israel, then Britain and France, invade Egypt US pressures the invasion to withdraw	US invoked the UFP to bypass British and French vetoes UNGA resolutions established UNEF I, which maintained peace until 1967 Dependent on P5 cooperation US placed economic pressure on France and Britain, leading to their withdrawal in a week		Ffective peacekeeping Oversaw a decade of peace Constrained by local actors 1967: Egypt's Nasser orders the withdrawal of UNEF I Six Day War erupts	Effective peacekeeping Oversaw a decade of peace Constrained by local actors 1967: Egypt's Nasser orders the withdrawal of UNEF I Six Day War erupts
1956	Soviet invasion of Hungary Hungarian Revolution threatened Soviet interests Suppressed by a USSR invasion	Ineffective UFP USSR veto led to the issue being passed to the UNGA UNGA could not stop the suppression of the Hungarian Revolution Constrained by local actors Observation commission was not allowed in	USSR veto USSR vetoed a resolution calling for its withdrawal	Constrained by local actors Observation commission was not allowed in	Constrained by USSR interests No peacekeeping mission established
1958	Lebanon Crisis Deployment of the UN Observation Group in Lebanon in June Fighting broke out in July			Observers and envoys Pre-emptively prevented the infiltration of Syrian weapons before fighting broke out in July	

	Swift resolution of the crisis in three months			Helped to contain the scale of violence and resolve the crisis in three months	
1960	Laos Coup Hammarskjold had sent an envoy in 1959 Military coup in August 1960 Swiftly resolved in 3 weeks with an agreement brokered by Hammarskjold's envoy			Observers and envoys Hammarskjold had sent an envoy in 1959 Military coup in August 1960 Swiftly resolved in 3 weeks with an agreement brokered by Hammarskjold's envoy	
1960-65	Congo Crisis Congo becomes independent Katanga secedes with Belgian support PM Lumumba appeals for Soviet aid 1965: ONUC successfully stabilises the country even after a Belgian invasion, an insurrection in Katanga and the collapse of the central government	Soviet veto in the UNSC led to the invocation of the UFP, passing the matter to the UNGA UNGA resolutions confirmed the mandate of the UN Operation in the Congo (ONUC) and collected contributions for a UN fund for the Congo Last time that an emergency session under the UFP called for specific measures	Framework for consensus building Although there were initial disagreements on the actions that should be taken, extended debates did result in a compromise that was eventually agreeable to all SUNSC resolutions were passed without any veto	Article 99 invoked to convene the UNSC Effective peacekeeping ONUC successfully stabilises the country even after a Belgian invasion, an insurrection in Katanga and the collapse of the central government Troika Proposal Hammarskjold offended the USSR in 1960 by refusing to place ONUC peacekeepers in service of the Soviet-backed Lumumba USSR proposed scrapping the current Sec-Gen and replacing it with three Sec-Gens, with one appointed by the West, one by the Soviets and one from 'others' Likely USSR veto of reappointment USSR would have vetoed Hammarskjold's reappointment had he not died in the plane crash	Fifective peacekeeping ONUC successfully stabilises the country even after a Belgian invasion, an insurrection in Katanga and the collapse of the central government Timely response UN troops landed in the Congo just 4 days after Katanga seceded
1962	Us discovers Soviet missiles on Cuba Tense confrontation and naval blockade, before the situation is resolved		Framework for consensus building US and Russian ambassadors debated the issue in the UNSC on 24 and 25 October	Fostering diplomacy U Thant helped to mediate the resolution of the crisis	
1964	Cyprus Crisis Intercommunal violence between Greek and Turkish Cypriots		P5 cooperation Resolution 186 recommended the creation of a peacekeeping force Managed to stabilise Cyprus until the Turkish invasion in 1974	UNFICYP stabilised Cyprus until the Turkish invasion in 1974	Effective peacekeeping UNFICYP stabilised Cyprus until the Turkish invasion in 1974 Constrained by local actors 1974: Turkey invades Cyprus, disrupting the peace

1964-73	Vietnam War ■ Communist-backed North Vietnam fights US-backed forces from the South		Not debated due to US and Soviet involvement		Constrained by US and USSR interests No peacekeeping mission established
1965	Coup installed a military-backed president A counter-coup ousted this president, leading to civil conflict		P5 cooperation Resolution 203 called for a strict ceasefire and the formation of DOMREP Civil war ended that same year	DOMREP oversaw a ceasefire and elections Civil war ended that same year	DOMREP oversaw a ceasefire and elections Civil war ended that same year
1968	Soviet invasion of Czechoslovakia Prague Spring mobilised support for liberalisation Warsaw Pact troops invaded Czechoslovakia to suppress the uprising	Condemnation Condemned the invasion That said, it did not end it		Constrained by USSR interests Did not advocate for action	Constrained by USSR interests No peacekeeping mission established
1970, 73	Rhodesia Rhodesia broke away and unilaterally declared independence in 1965 UNGA passed a condemnatory resolution, but further action was vetoed in the UNSC by the US and UK	Ineffective condemnation Condemned the unilateral breakaway of Rhodesia	US, UK veto Vetoed UNSC resolutions in 1970 and 1973 on the issue of racism in Rhodesia to protect the state		
1971	Awami League declares the independence of East Pakistan in March 1971 Pakistan in March 1971 Pakistani President Yahya Khan requests his army to suppress independence activities, resulting in tremendous bloodshed		Sluggishness Sec-Gen invoked Article 99 in July, but UNSC convened only four months later until the Indo-Pakistan War begins in December UNSC is mired in inaction, and Sec-Gen is confined to humanitarian action	Constrained by UNSC inaction Invoked Article 99 in July, but UNSC convened only four months later until the Indo-Pakistan War begins in December UNSC is mired in inaction, and Sec-Gen is confined to humanitarian action	
1978	Lebanon Crisis Israel invaded Lebanon Tensions and instability exist between Israel to the south and PLO/Hezbollah/Syrian forces to the north				Constrained by local actors 1981: UNIFIL negotiated a brief ceasefire between Israel and the PLO, but it lasted less than a year 1982: Israel bypassed UNIFIL to invade south Lebanon
1979	Soviet invasion of Afghanistan Soviets attempted to shore up the nascent pro-Soviet government in Kabul	Ineffective UFP USSR veto led to the issue being passed to the UNGA UNGA called for the withdrawal of troops, but they remained until 1989	USSR vetoed a resolution calling for its withdrawal	Constrained by USSR interests Did not advocate for action	Constrained by USSR interests No peacekeeping mission established
1979-91	Vietnamese Invasion of Kampuchea Vietnam invaded Kampuchea	Ineffective condemnation Condemned the invasion That said, it did not end it	USSR veto USSR vetoed a draft UNSC resolution calling for the withdrawal of Vietnamese	Fostering diplomacy • De Cuellar personally brokered the agreement	Constrained by USSR interests No peacekeeping mission established, until the UNTAC after the signing of the

	Peace brokered by De Cuellar under the Paris Peace Agreement UNTAC established	troops from Cambodia		peace accords Effective peacebuilding 1993: Free and fair elections held, with 90% turnout Successfully repatriated and resettled 360,000 refugees
1979-92	Salvadoran Civil War Fighting broke out between the Salvadoran government and its rebels De Cuellar brokered the Chapultepec Peace Accords		Fostering diplomacy De Cuellar personally brokered the Chapultepec Peace Accords	
1980-88	Iran-Iraq War Iraq invaded Iran Peace deal brokered by the UNSC	P5 cooperation Resolution 598 brokered peace between the two parties	Article 99 invoked to convene the UNSC Fostering diplomacy De Cuellar personally brokered the peace	
1981	Operation Protea in the South African Border War South African forces occupied large swathes of Angola	US vetoe US vetoed a resolution demanding the withdrawal of the SADF from Angola		
1990-91	Gulf War Iraq invaded Kuwait UN authorises military retaliation Kuwait liberated and UNIKOM established	Article 42 invoked to allow for UN military intervention US-led campaign Gorbachev wanted Western friendship and had oil interests	Effective peacekeeping UNIKOM oversaw the Iraqi withdrawal and enforced the border Successfully preserved peace until the end of its mandate in 2003 (and the US invasion of Iraq)	Effective peacekeeping UNIKOM oversaw the Iraqi withdrawal and enforced the border Successfully preserved peace until the end of its mandate in 2003 (and the US invasion of Iraq)
1991-95	Somali Civil War Overthrow of the Siad Barre regime led to civil conflict between over 14 warlords and factions UNOSOM I belatedly introduced in 1992, before UNOSOM II took over from 1993 UNITAF launched in 1993 as a humanitarian mission UNOSOM II withdrew in 1995		Effective humanitarian aid UNITAF opened up supply routes, saving an estimated 100,000 to 250,000 lives Delayed response Intense fighting broke out in 1991, but UNOSOM I only entered in April the following year Peacekeeper deaths / Constrained by US and Brazilian interests 1993: Pakistani peacekeepers and 18 US peacekeepers were killed by General Aideed Bodybag effect led to withdrawal of US peacekeepers and delayed action in Rwanda Brazil refused to contribute	Effective humanitarian aid UNITAF opened up supply routes, saving an estimated 100,000 to 250,000 lives Delayed response Intense fighting broke out in 1991, but UNOSOM I only entered in April the following year Peacekeeper deaths / Constrained by US and Brazilian interests 1993: Pakistani peacekeepers and 18 US peacekeepers were killed by General Aideed Bodybag effect led to withdrawal of US peacekeepers and delayed action in Rwanda Brazil refused to contribute

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			UNOSOM operations cost \$942m	UNOSOM operations cost \$942m
			Premature withdrawal ■ UNOSOM II withdrew in 1995, but fighting has continued even to today	Premature withdrawal UNOSOM II withdrew in 1995, but fighting has continued even to today
1992-95	Amidst tensions surrounding a Bosnian referendum for independence, war broke out between Bosniaks, Croats and Serbs Ethnic cleansing was committed by both sides, but mainly by Serb forces UNPROFOR stayed for the duration of the conflict, but	P5 cooperation • 1991: Imposed a mandatory arms embargo	Constrained by local conditions 1995 Battle of Vrbanja Bridge: 400 Blue Helimets were taken hostage and used as human shields 1995: UN safe area for Muslims at Srebrenica was attacked by Serbian forces Constrained by US interests US denied request for	Constrained by local conditions 1995 Battle of Vrbanja Bridge: 400 Blue Helmets were taken hostage and used as human shields 1995: UN safe area for Muslims at Srebrenica was attacked by Serbian forces Constrained by US interests US denied request for
	was overshadowed by NATO		70,000 troops in Bosnia Delayed response	70,000 troops in Bosnia Delayed response
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			UNPROFOR operations cost \$4.6bn	Exorbitant cost
			Required / acquired external assistance UNPROFOR to depend on NATO deploying over 60,000 troops under Operation Joint Endeavour, coupled with airstrikes	Required / acquired external assistance • UNPROFOR to depend on NATO deploying over 60,000 troops under Operation Joint Endeavour, coupled with airstrikes
			US veto of reappointment Clashes over Bosnia troop deployment led to eventual US veto on Boutros-Ghali's reappointment	
1993-96	Rwandan Genocide • Arusha Accords initially brokered peace, and UNAMIR entered to enforce it • Tutsis were massacred en	Not debated initially due to US desire to avoid an expensive mission and French support of the genocidal regime	Constrained by local conditions • Even though UNAMIR had entered in 1993 to enforce the Arusha Accords, it failed to prevent genocide a few months later	Constrained by local conditions • Even though UNAMIR had entered in 1993 to enforce the Arusha Accords, it failed to prevent genocide a few months later

	masse by Hutu militias		500,000 Tutsis perished	500,000 Tutsis perished
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			US slashed request for 5,500 soldiers in Rwanda to 270	US slashed request for 5,500 soldiers in Rwanda to 270
			Exorbitant cost ● Estimated annual cost of \$230m for 5,500 UNAMIR troops	Exorbitant cost • Estimated annual cost of \$230m for 5,500 UNAMIR troops
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1998-99	Serbian army carried out crimes against humanity, including ethnic cleansing UNMIK sent in	Hidden veto Russia and China threatened vetoes to prevent UN intervention against the ethnic cleansing in Kosovo	Required / acquired external assistance • UNMIK depended on a unilateral NATO intervention to bypass Russian and Chinese vetoes	Required / acquired external assistance • UNMIK depended on a unilateral NATO intervention to bypass Russian and Chinese vetoes
1999-2002	East Timor Crisis Referendum opted for complete independence Indonesian-backed militants launched a campaign of violence		Effective peacebuilding Under UN administrations like UNAMET and UNTAET, East Timor Transitional Authority was established with a cabinet, national assembly and constitution 2002: East Timor gained independence	Effective peacebuilding Under UN administrations like UNAMET and UNTAET, East Timor Transitional Authority was established with a cabinet, national assembly and constitution 2002: East Timor gained independence

UNGA	UNSC	Sec-Gens	Peacekeeping	ICJ
Effective condemnation	Article 42 • 1950: Korean War • 1990: Gulf War	Article 99	Cooperation with regional organisations • 1992: Apartheid South Africa, with OAU, Commonwealth, EU • 1992: UNPROFOR, with NATO • 1999: UNMIK, with NATO	Cooperation with judgement

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Effective UFP ■ 1956: Suez Crisis ■ 1960: Congo Crisis	P5 cooperation	Effective peacekeeping	Effective peacekeeping	Influence on international law 1946/49: Corfu Channel 1949/51: Fisheries 1967/69: North Sea
Ineffective condemnation 1962: Apartheid South Africa 1968: Czechoslovakia 1970: Rhodesia 1979: Afghanistan 1979: Kampuchea 1980, 1997: Israel-Palestine	Consensus building 1960: Congo Crisis 1962: Cuban Missile Crisis 1967: Israel-Palestine	Diplomacy 1955: Peking Formula 1962: Cuban Missile Crisis 1988: Iran-Iraq War 1991: Kampuchea 1992: Salvadoran Civil War	Effective peacebuilding • 1992: UNTAC • 1999: UNAMET, UNTAET	Influence via global pressure • 1970: Namibia
Ineffective UFP • 1979: Afghanistan • 1980, 1997: Israel-Palestine	Veto (US)	Observers and envoys • 1958: Lebanon • 1960: Laos	Timely response ● 1960: ONUC	Not raised to the ICJ 1947/48/55: Falklands 1968: Sabah
Dependent on P5 cooperation ■ 1956: Suez Crisis	Hidden veto (US) 1964: Vietnam War 1994: Rwanda Hidden veto (USSR) 1964: Vietnam War 1999: Kosovo Hidden veto (UK) 1947: Indian Partition Hidden veto (FR) 1954: Algeria 1994: Rwanda Hidden veto (CN) 1999: Kosovo	Veto of reappointment (US) 1996: Boutros-Ghali, over Bosnia, Rwanda Veto of reappointment (USSR) 1952: Lie, over Korea 1962: Hammarskjold, over Congo (presumed)	Constrained by interests (US) 1964: Vietnam War 1992: UNPROFOR 1993: UNAMIR Constrained by interests (USSR) 1964: Vietnam War 1968: Czechoslovakia 1979: Afghanistan Constrained by interests (BR) 1993: UNOSOM	Non-cooperation with judgement 1946/49: Corfu Channel 1954: Treatment of Aircrew 1955: El Al 402 1975: Western Sahara 1979/80: Iran Hostage Crisis 1980/86: US Aid to Contras
Constrained by local actors 1947: Israel-Palestine 1956: Hungary	Sluggishness • 1971: East Pakistan	Constrained by local actors	Constrained by local actors 1967: UNEF I 1974: UNFICYP 1982: UNIFIL 1992: UNPROFOR 1993: UNAMIR	Deficiencies in jurisdiction 1960/66: Namibia 1975: Western Sahara
Meaningless resolutions ■ 1975: Resolution 3379	Structural weaknesses Veto / Hidden veto Lack of MSC	Troika Proposal • 1960: Congo Crisis	Exorbitant cost • 1991: UNOSOM • 1992: UNPROFOR	Structural weaknesses Lack of jurisdiction Unable to compel

	Unrepresentativeness		• 1993: UNAMIR	compliance
Structural weaknesses Unable to compel compliance Tyranny of the majority		Constrained by UNSC inaction 1971: East Pakistan	Delayed response	
		Structural weaknesses	Premature withdrawal • 1995: UNOSOM	
			Structural weaknesses Formed by UNSC Unable to compel compliance Lack of MSC	

UNGA	UNSC
1947: Resolution 181(II) (Israel-Palestine) Recommended a partition Never implemented due to fierce Palestinian opposition	Resolution 186 (Cyprus) Recommended the creation of a peacekeeping force UNFICYP Managed to stabilise Cyprus until the Turkish invasion in 1974
Resolution 500 (Korea) Recommended a trade embargo against the People's Republic of China and North Korea for aggression in the Korean War 47 nations imposed an embargo, forcing the PRC and North Korea to depend on Soviet assistance	Resolution 203 (Dominican Republic) Called for a strict ceasefire and the formation of DOMREP Crisis ended that same year
1962: Resolution 1761 (Apartheid South Africa)	1967: Resolution 242 (Israel-Palestine) Contributed to peace treaties between Israel and Egypt (1979) and Jordan (1994), as well as the 1993 and 1995 agreements with the Palestinians
1975: Resolution 3379 (Israel-Palestine) • "Zionism equals racism" • Passed and repealed in 1991	1988: Resolution 598 (Iran-Iraq) Brokered an end to the Iran-Iraq war

Year (S/J)	Case	Compliance	Additional Significance
		Actual Cases / Opinions	
1946 / 1949	Corfu Channel (UK vs Albania)	No	Yes

[cc]	 British ships were damaged when passing through the Corfu Channel Britain sued Albania for reparations, which was awarded 	Albania refused to pay reparations, until a final settlement in 1996	 Shaped the right of innocent passage under UNCLOS Ratified by 168 states
1949 / 1951 [CC]	Norway arrested British trawlers operating in waters claimed by Norway Court ruled in favour of Norway	Yes ■ Dispute was resolved	Laid down principles for the drawing of baselines from which territorial waters were calculated, later enshrined in UNCLOS Ratified by 168 states
1951 / 1953 [CC]	Minquiers and Ecrehos (France vs UK) • Dispute over a small group of uninhabited islands (the Minquier and Ecreho islands) • Court awarded the islands to the UK	Yes • Dispute was resolved	
1954 [CC]	Treatment of Aircrew (US vs Hungary, USSR) US brought claims against the two countries for aircraft shot down over Japan and forced to land in Hungary Case was discontinued	Soviet Union and Hungary both refused to accept the jurisdiction of the court Case was discontinued	
1955 [CC]	El Al Flight 402 (Israel, US, UK vs Bulgaria) El Al Flight 402 was shot down over Bulgaria Court found that the acceptance of jurisdiction by a preceding government did not bind its successor government	Bulgaria refused to accept the court's jurisdiction Court found that the acceptance of jurisdiction by a preceding government did not bind its successor government	
1959 / 1962	Preah Vihear Temple (Thailand vs Cambodia) French drew a map that claimed the Preah Vihear Temple for Cambodia After the French withdrew, Thailand occupied the area to Cambodian protests, with threats of violence exchanged Court ruled in favour of Cambodia	Thailand backed down and removed the Thai national flag Cambodia announced that all Thais would be able to visit the temple without visas and allowed Thailand to keep antiquities taken	
1960 / 1966 [CC]	Namibia (Liberia, Ethiopia vs South Africa) Liberia and Ethiopia brought a case against South Africa	Court ruled that Liberia and Ethiopia were not affected parties, and the ICJ had no	

	objecting to apartheid in Namibia Court ruled that Liberia and Ethiopia were not affected parties, and the ICJ had no compulsory jurisdiction	compulsory jurisdiction	
1967 / 1969 [CC]	North Sea Continental Shelf (Denmark, Netherlands vs West Germany) Disputes arose over how to divide the oil-rich continental shelf in the North Sea Court laid down principles for defining and dividing such shelves	Dispute was resolved	Laid down principles for defining and dividing continental shelves, later enshrined in UNCLOS Ratified by 168 states
1970 [AO]	Namibia (Liberia, Ethiopia vs South Africa) Liberia and Ethiopia brought a case against South Africa objecting to apartheid in Namibia ICJ advised that South Africa's apartheid occupation of Namibia was illegal	Advisory opinion was not binding	Catalysed UNSC, UNGA and US pressures on South Africa to cease its occupation 1987: UNGA adopts a voluntary oil embargo including over 130 nations 1988: South Africa negotiated for Namibian independence However, the ICJ was not directly involved in ending apartheid occupation
1975 [AO]	Western Sahara (Morocco vs Mauritania) Morocco asked the court for an opinion on the merits of its and Mauritania's claims on Western Sahara Court did not find any legal ties that would affect the validity of either claim	Advisory opinion was not binding, and culminated in a Moroccan invasion of Western Sahara that same year	
1979 / 1980 [CC]	Iran Hostage Crisis (US vs Iran) • American diplomats were held hostage in Iran • Court ruled against Iran	Iran continued to hold the hostages until 1981, when US economic embargoes coupled with economic pressures from the Iran-Iraq War compelled Iran to negotiate	
1980 / 1986 [CC]	US Aid to Contras (Nicaragua vs US) US supplied aid to subversive Contra rebels to undermine the Marxist Sandinista government	US withdrew from proceedings in 1985 1991: Eventual 'resolution' of the case was when the new non-Sandinista	

	Nicaragua aud at the IC I	government of Nicerosus	
	 Nicaragua sued at the ICJ Court ruled against the US but after it withdrew 	government of Nicaragua withdrew its case from the ICJ	
1983 / 1986 [CC]	Burkina Faso-Mali Border Dispute (Burkina Faso vs Mali) 1985: Open violence erupted on the Burkina Faso-Mali border Court divided the disputed territory equally	Presidents of Burkina Faso and Mali publicly welcomed the new border line Full diplomatic relations were restored over the course of the trial, and POWs were exchanged	
1986 / 1992 [CC]	El Salvador-Honduras Border Dispute (El Salvador vs Honduras) Longstanding dispute over six pockets of land Court demarcated the disputed territory	Agreement reached beforehand in 1988 on how to enforce the judgement Both parties announced they would comply with the decision	
1990 / 1994 [CC]	Aouzou Strip (Libya vs Chad) Disputes over the Aouzou Strip led to war between Libya and Chad Court awarded the strip to Chad	Initial Libya resistance, but Gaddafi backed down and Libya withdrew its troops without incident	
1998 / 2002 [CC]	Sipadan and Ligitan (Indonesia and Malaysia) Longstanding dispute since 1969 over the islands of Sipadan and Ligitan Court awarded the islands to Malaysia	Yes • Dispute was resolved	
		Refused Cases	
1947 1948 1955	Falklands Islands (UK vs Argentina) Britain offered to raise the case up to the ICJ thrice: in 1947, 1948 and 1955 Argentina refused and invaded in 1982, sparking the Falklands War		
1948	Berlin Crisis (USSR vs West)		
1962	Cuban Missile Crisis (US vs USSR/Cuba)		
1968	Tonkin Gulf Incident (US vs Vietnam)		
1968	Sabah Dispute (Malaysia vs Philippines)		

Malaysia Oct 1968: Foreign Secretary Ramos made an uncompromising speech at the UN, advocating for its submission to the ICJ Malaysians have consistently refused to raise the dispute to the ICJ, and the issue resurfaces from time to time		
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Year	Reform	Effectiveness	
	Sovereignty		
1960-65	ONUC 1961-62: ONUC served as a military force, engaging in clashes with secessionist and mercenary forces to prevent Katanga secession Intervened in the Congo's domestic affairs to restore stability	Effective peacekeeping	
		Troika Proposal ■ Soviet unhappiness about UN treatment of Lumumba led to the Troika Proposal, which sought to undermine the power of the Sec-Gen by replacing him with a 'troika'	
		Lack of precedent ■ Force of 20,000 at its peak was never matched again, even after the Cold War ■ UNEF I forced to leave by Nasser in 1967	
1992	Declared that "the time of absolute and exclusive sovereignty has passed" Proposed that sovereignty should be a matter of	Annan's Brahimi Report • 2000 Brahimi Report tried to raise again Boutros-Ghali's proposed redefinition • As such, it is evident that no progress had been made by 2000 • In fact, the matter would be raised again in the 2005 "Right to Protect" proposals	
responsibility	responsibility	Delays in Bosnia and Rwanda ■ 1992: Bosnia ○ Fighting broke out in April 1992, but UNPROFOR only received the mandate to protect humanitarian organisations in September, and protect safe areas in April the following year on the basis of protecting sovereignty ■ 1994: Rwanda ○ When ethnic killings broke out, 90% of UNAMIR's peacekeepers were immediately withdrawn on the basis of protecting sovereignty before its strength was restored two months later	
	Great Power Politics		
1951	Uniting For Peace Resolution 377 Allowed the UNGA to bypass UNSC deadlock and make recommendations	Effective when invoked ■ 1956: Suez ○ US invoked the UFP to bypass British and French vetoes ○ UNGA resolutions established UNEF I, which maintained peace	

		in the Congo (ONUC) and collected contributions for a UN fund for the Congo
		Invoked less often due to a protective P5 and fragmented UNGA 1966-87: Of the 131 vetoes in the UNSC, the UFP was only invoked 6 times! 1960 Congo: last time that UNGA called for substantive action (peacekeeping, sanctions etc.)
1966	Expansion of UNSC to include 10 non-permanent members Made the UNSC more representative and less dominated by Great Powers	UNSC became more representative Allowed for regional representation: 3 African states, 2 Latin American states, 2 Asia-Pacific states, 2 Western European states Also meant that more developing nations got a seat on the council!
	dominated by Great Fowers	P5 veto remained the main obstruction 1966-85: 49 vetoes used by the US 1970, 1973: UK and US vetoed UNSC resolutions on the issue of Rhodesia to protect the state 1979: USSR vetoed UNSC resolutions condemning the Vietnamese invasion of Kampuchea Even in 1997: US vetoed resolutions condemnatory of Israel
		P5 expansion remained difficult ■ 1992: Japan, Germany, Brazil and India began to demand permanent membership on the UNSC, forming a loose coalition that would later be known as the G4
PRC in the UN Meant to placate to communist bloc, re	 Meant to placate the 	Defused Great Power tensions ■ 1950 USSR boycott of the UN was on the issue of PRC non-representation
	Great Power tensions	P5 vetoes continued to be used 1966-85: 49 vetoes used by the US 1970, 1973: UK and US vetoed UNSC resolutions on the issue of
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1992	Boutros-Ghali's proposal to work with regional organisations • Suggested that regional arrangements complement the work of the UN	 1979: USSR vetoed UNSC resolutions condemning the Vietnamese invasion of Kampuchea
1992	with regional organisations Suggested that regional arrangements complement	 1979: USSR vetoed UNSC resolutions condemning the Vietnamese invasion of Kampuchea Even in 1997: US vetoed resolutions condemnatory of Israel Cooperation with NATO in Bosnia and Kosovo 1993: Bosnia NATO deployed over 60,000 troops under Operation Joint Endeavour, coupled with airstrikes 1999: Kosovo NATO launched a unilateral intervention to bypass Russian and

	Boutros-Ghali etc.!			
	Operational Constraints			
1992	 Included the notion of peacebuilding to strengthen and solidify structures that maintain peace E.g. holding of elections, training of police forces, decommissioning of arms Included a system of preventive diplomacy E.g. early warning systems for conflict, early deployment of troops, introduction of demilitarised zones pre-emptively Pre-positioned stock of basic peacekeeping equipment by governments for immediate loan or donation Peacekeeping reserve fund of \$50m, with ⅓ of peacekeeping costs 	Effective peacebuilding in Cambodia and East Timor 1992 Cambodia's UNTAC 1993: Free and fair elections held, with 90% turnout Successfully repatriated and resettled 360,000 refugees 1999 East Timor's UNAMET, UNTAET East Timor Transitional Authority was established with a cabinet, national assembly and constitution 2002: East Timor gained independence		
		Ineffective peacebuilding in Somalia UNOSOM II withdrew in 1995, but fighting has continued even to today		
		Ineffective preventive diplomacy, with delays in Bosnia and Rwanda 1992: Bosnia Fighting broke out in April 1992, but UNPROFOR only received the mandate to protect humanitarian organisations in September, and protect safe areas in April the following year 1994: Rwanda When ethnic killings broke out, 90% of UNAMIR's peacekeepers were immediately withdrawn before its strength was restored two months later		
		Funding issues persisted ■ 1994: Republican Congress cut UN funding, impeding UN function as it contributed to 20% of UN operation funds		
immediate appropriated by the UNGA at the start of an operation	Exorbitant costs of PKOs in Somalia, Bosnia and Rwanda UNOSOM operations cost \$942m UNPROFOR operations cost \$4.6bn Estimated annual cost of \$230m for 5,500 UNAMIR troops			
	Regionalism			
1992	Boutros-Ghali's proposal to work with regional organisations Suggested that regional arrangements complement the work of the UN	Cooperation with NATO in Bosnia and Kosovo 1993: Bosnia NATO deployed over 60,000 troops under Operation Joint Endeavour, coupled with airstrikes 1999: Kosovo NATO launched a unilateral intervention to bypass Russian and Chinese vetoes		
		Cooperation with Organisation of African Unity, the Commonwealth and EU in South Africa 1992: UN observer forces to monitor developments in post-apartheid South Africa were complemented by OAU, Commonwealth and EU staff		
		Regional cooperation increasingly seen as non-impartial While Russia voted for the resolution that sent UN forces into Bosnia, they would express growing opposition to UN-NATO intervention over time 1999: Russia would vote against intervention in Kosovo		
	Administrative Mismanagement			

Effective at restoring funding

1997-

Annan's administrative reforms

- Stopped budgetary increases
- Abolished 900 personnel
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 Created a Deputy Secretary
 General position
 Adopting a cabinet–style management structure that brings together senior officials responsible for core UN functions
- 2001: US agreed to pay close to \$600m in back dues to the UN after Annan's administrative and budgetary reforms