

FORUM: Historical Security Council
QUESTION OF: The situation in Armenia
SUBMITTED BY:
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THE SECURITY COUNCIL,

Expressing concern with regards to all violence based upon ethnic differences that have taken place in Azerbaijan and Armenia,

Recognizing the events on 12 January 1990 as a Pogrom,

Calling for the protection of the population of Armenia and Azerbaijan, and the ethnic minorities within these regions,

Conscious that Nagorno-Karabakh Autonomous Oblast (NKAO) is in Azerbaijani territory,

Expressing deep concern regarding the continuous acts of terror committed by both sides,

Emphasizing the importance of maintaining peace,

Noting that nations must preserve stability and security at all costs,

1. Recommends that all member states show restraint and the utmost respect for the sovereignty of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics (USSR) while dealing with this issue, seeing as the conflict has many layers and must be handled with utmost care;
2. Urges member nations to recognize that the creation of new borders between the Soviet Socialist Republic of Azerbaijan, the Azerbaijani SSR, and the Soviet Socialist Republic of Armenia, the Armenian SSR, is currently unnecessary;
3. Calls for the formation of an investigation in cooperation with the USSR into the actions of the local governments and corresponding organizations to trusted UN organs in order to:
 - a) ensure that the governments are not absolved of responsibility for the actions they have taken to contain the ethnic conflicts in their region
 - b) reassure the residents of the NKAO that their safety is not threatened by brutality
 - c) uncover the identities of the individuals responsible for instructing troops, officers or any other armed personnel to harm or kill individuals for the purposes of containing demonstrations
 - d) make sure that the local governments and judicial systems are to try all culprits equally;
4. Further calls for peace talks with the Armenian SSR and the Azerbaijani SSR and representatives from the USSR to take place in Beijing, allowing international diplomatic observers limited to two delegates per nation to discuss:
 - a) the deescalation of ethnic-based tensions between the Armenian and Azerbaijani people
 - b) the prevention of future pogroms
 - c) the restitution of land and property to those affected by forceful, unlawful evictions
 - d) the safe reentry of unlawfully deported citizens of the NKAO
 - e) the cultivation of a non-discriminatory environment in Baku and other diverse areas, through means such as but not limited to:
 - i. ensuring that discriminatory work practices are condemned and outlawed, including unfairly firing employees based on their ethnicity
 - ii. providing the same educational opportunities and materials for individuals attending public schools and institutions

- iii. administering the same quality of public healthcare and assistance for all citizens of the region
 - f) the establishment of the Committee for the Resolution of the Nagorno-Karabakh Conflict (CRNKC) as a subcommittee of the Conference for Security and Co-operation (CSCE), aiming to stop the conflict by means such as but not limited to:
 - i. mediating an end to hostilities between the peoples and governments of the Armenian SSR and Azerbaijani SSR, especially pertaining to the NKAO
 - ii. ensuring no infringement of national sovereignty
 - iii. overseeing the implementation of any further UN actions on the issue of the NKAO
 - iv. further monitoring of the affected area;
5. Strongly recommends reforms in the Azerbaijani and Armenian police forces, for the express purpose of ensuring that violence and displacement of ethnic Armenians and ethnic Azerbaijanis does not continue which will be achieved by establishing a set of guidelines for local police in the affected regions, including the following guidelines:
- a) police forces must recognize and put an end to the prejudice against ethnic Armenians and ethnic Azerbaijanis which is actively occurring at both individual and institutional levels
 - b) police forces are committed to providing services and enforcing laws in a professional, equitable, fair, and nondiscriminatory manner
 - c) only minimal force will be utilized to mitigate an incident, make an arrest, or protect themselves or others
 - d) an officer's goal is to regain control as soon as possible while protecting the community, use of force is the officer's last option
 - e) an implicit-bias training program for the police force;
6. Asks that all humanitarian aid be allowed immediate and continuous access to the Azerbaijan SSR, the Armenia SSR, and the NKAO in order to prevent the exacerbation and continuation of the humanitarian issues at hand, allowing NGOs and governmental aid organizations to set up camp, with the following guidelines:
- a) full cooperation between the governing body of the USSR and all relevant NGOs, using the USSR's complete and relevant knowledge of the region in order to efficiently direct aid
 - b) that in the case of economic sanctions, that would prevent the importation of goods, humanitarian aid would be exempt from said sanctions if UN and USSR permission is granted
 - c) that all organizations and governmental entities present in the region must maintain a basic but complete level of communication with one another, through weekly meetings, in order to ensure that the use of funds and resources is optimized
 - d) that funds focusing on humanitarian aid for refugees and citizens in need be equally distributed throughout the regions of the Azerbaijani SSR, the Armenian SSR, and the NKAO;
7. Further Recommends the implementation of various measures to ensure the abatement of ethnic and religious tension in the NKAO, the Armenia SSR and the Azerbaijani SSR, through measures including but not limited to:
- a) the implementation of a thorough education program addressing religion, culture, and ethnicity in school curriculums in all the aforementioned regions, to be overseen by the USSR in cooperation with the United Nations, thus giving the USSR the authority to actively edit the curriculum, while also allowing the UN to rescind funds if the edited curriculum is found to be:
 - i. biased
 - ii. lacking review and editing from people of both the Islamic and Christian faiths, whom hold the expressed desire of promoting religious education
 - iii. lacking review and editing from members of the relevant ethnic groups, whom

- hold the express desire of promoting ethnic tolerance
 - iv. portrays religion(s) in a negative light
 - v. not overseen by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO)
 - b) the organization of public seminars by representatives of both ethnic groups overseen by the USSR and UNESCO in the cities of Baku in the Azerbaijani SSR, Yerevan in the Armenian SSR, and Stepanakert in the NKAO on the topic of promoting equality throughout the region to be:
 - i. led by experts on the local conflict
 - ii. held in easily accessible public places, three times a week until a permanent cessation of violence has been achieved in Baku
 - c) the distribution of public advertisements throughout the aforementioned cities and regions with the sole aim to promote acceptance and diversity
 - d) creating a singular historical timeline for the region for the purpose of public education, which recognizes the significant role that both the Armenian SSR and the Azerbaijani SSR played in the NKAO, and at a minimum discusses the many opposing viewpoints on the subject;
8. Commits to developing peace and stability in the region and further decides to remain actively seized of the matter.