



Resolution 594 (1975)¹

Situation in the Middle East

Parliamentary Assembly

The Assembly,

1. Recalling its [Resolution 490 \(1971\)](#), on the situation in the Middle East ;
2. Deploping the resumption of hostilities in this part of the world in October 1973, and deeply disturbed by the repeated violations of the cease-fire established by the provisions of [Resolution 340 \(1973\)](#) of the United Nations Security Council, as well as by reports concerning the military build-up in the various Middle East states ;
3. Welcoming the initial agreements reached in January and May 1974 between Israel, Egypt and Syria, which have made possible the disengagement of troops on the Golan Heights and Suez Canal fronts, and represent the first constructive steps towards a just and lasting peace in the Middle East ;
4. Regretting the breakdown in March 1975 of the mission of the American Secretary of State, whose aim was a new agreement between Egypt and Israel ;
5. Hoping that at the future Geneva Peace Conference new constructive steps will be taken towards a peaceful solution in the Middle East ;
6. Condemning terrorist acts against the civilian population, and recalling in this connection the views expressed in its [Recommendation 703 \(1973\)](#), on international terrorism ;
7. Fearing that such terrorist action will compromise hopes of peace and jeopardise the legitimate aspirations of the peoples of the Middle East,
8. Issues a solemn appeal to the parties involved to avoid any military confrontation and to begin negotiations at every level, recalling that any lasting negotiated settlement must recognise the state of Israel and its right to live at peace within secure and recognised frontiers, must offer a political solution to the situation of the Palestinian people, ensuring their representative participation in a settlement valid for the entire region, and must guarantee to all states free passage through the international waterways ;
9. Invites the governments of the member states of the Council of Europe to do everything in their power to promote the satisfactory outcome of the direct negotiations between the parties concerned.

1. Assembly debate on 25 April 1975 (8th Sitting) (see [Doc. 3601](#), report of the Political Affairs Committee). Text adopted by the Assembly on 25 April 1975 (8th Sitting).

