participate, without vote, in the discussion of the question.

At the 1412th meeting, on 4 April 1968, as a result of consultations which had taken place on this item, the President read the following statement:

"Having heard the statements of the parties in regard to the renewal of the hostilities, the members of the Security Council are deeply concerned at the deteriorating situation in the area. They therefore consider that the Council should remain seized of the situation and keep it under close review".

At its 1416th meeting, on 27 April 1968, the Council decided to invite the representatives of Jordan and Israel to participate, without vote, in the discussion of the item entitled "The situation in the Middle East: Letter dated 25 April 1968 from the Permanent Representative of Jordan to the President of the Security Council (S/8560)".²⁴

Resolution 250 (1968) of 27 April 1968

The Security Council,

Having heard the statements of the representatives of Jordan and Israel,

Having considered the Secretary-General's note (S/8561),²⁵ particularly his note to the Permanent Representative of Israel to the United Nations,

Considering that the holding of a military parade in Jerusalem will aggravate tensions in the area and have an adverse effect on a peaceful settlement of the problems in the area,

1. Calls upon Israel to refrain from holding the military parade in Jerusalem which is contemplated for 2 May 1968;

2. Requests the Secretary-General to report to the Security Council on the implementation of this resolution.

Adopted unanimously at the 1417th meeting.

Decision

At its 1418th meeting, on 1 May 1968, the Council decided to add to its agenda the report of the Secretary-General under General Assembly resolution 2254 (ES-V) relating to Jerusalem (S/8146).²⁶

Resolution 251 (1968)

of 2 May 1968

The Security Council,

Noting the Secretary-General's reports of 26 April (S/8561)²⁷ and 2 May 1968 (S/8567),²⁷

Recalling resolution 250 (1968) of 27 April 1968,

Deeply deplores the holding by Israel of the miiltary parade in Jerusalem on 2 May 1968 in disregard of the unanimous decision adopted by the Council on 27 April 1968.

Adopted unanimously at the 1420th meeting.

Decision

At its 1421st meeting, on 3 May 1968, the Council decided to invite Mr. Rouhi El-Khatib, in accordance with rule 39 of the provisional rules of procedure, to make a statement before the Council.

Resolution 252 (1968) of 21 May 1968

The Security Council,

Recalling General Assembly resolutions 2253 (ES-V) of 4 July 1967 and 2254 (ES-V) of 14 July 1967,

Having considered the letter of the Permanent Representative of Jordan on the situation in Jerusalem $(S/8560)^{28}$ and the report of the Secretary-General (S/8146),²⁹

Having heard the statements made before the Council,

Noting that since the adoption of the above-mentioned resolutions Israel has taken further measures and actions in contravention of those resolutions,

Bearing in mind the need to work for a just and lasting peace,

Reaffirming that acquisition of territory by military conquest is inadmissible,

1. Deplores the failure of Israel to comply with the General Assembly resolutions mentioned above;

2. Considers that all legislative and administrative measures and actions taken by Israel, including expropriation of land and properties thereon, which tend to change the legal status of Jerusalem are invalid and cannot change that status;

3. Urgently calls upon Israel to rescind all such measures already taken and to desist forthwith from taking any further action which tends to change the status of Jerusalem;

²⁴ Ibid., Supplement for April, May and June 1968.

²⁵ Ibid.

²⁸ Ibid., Twenty-second Year, Supplement for July, August and September 1967.

 ²⁷ Ibid., Twenty-third Year, Supplement for April, May and June 1968.
28 Ibid.

²⁹ Ibid., Twenty-second Year, Supplement for July, August and September 1967.