

TABLE 4¹
Vetoes cast in the Security Council from 2014 to present

*(a) Veto*es cast at public and private meetings of the Council as recorded in official records

Proposal vetoed	Date	Meeting record	Subject	Permanent member(s) voting negatively	Overall vote (yes-no-abstain) ²
242	31 Aug. 2020	S/2020/870 ³	Foreign terrorist fighters	United States (87) ⁶	14-1-0
241	10 July 2020	S/2020/681 ³	Middle East (Syria)	China (18 ⁴), Russian Federation (141 ⁵) ⁶	13-2-0
240	7 July 2020	S/2020/657 ³	Middle East (Syria)	China (17), Russian Federation (140)	13-2-0
239	20 Dec. 2019	S/PV. 8697	Middle East (Syria)	China (16), Russian Federation (139)	13-2-0
238	19 Sept. 2019	S/PV.8623	Middle East (Syria)	China (15), Russian Federation (138)	12-2-1(Equatorial Guinea)
237	28 Feb. 2019	S/PV.8476	Venezuela	China (14), Russian Federation (137)	9-3(South Africa)-3(Côte d'Ivoire, Equatorial Guinea, Indonesia)
236	1 June 2018	S/PV.8274	Middle East, including Palestinian question	United States (85)	10-1-4(Ethiopia, Netherlands, Poland, United Kingdom)
235	10 Apr. 2018	S/PV.8228	Middle East (Syria)	Russian Federation (136)	12-2(Bolivia)-1(China)
234	26 Feb. 2018	S/PV.8190	Middle East (Yemen)	Russian Federation (135)	11-2(Bolivia)-2(China, Kazakhstan)
233	18 Dec. 2017	S/PV.8139	Middle East, including Palestinian question	United States (84)	14-1-0
232	17 Nov. 2017	S/PV.8107	Middle East (Syria)	Russian Federation (134)	12-2(Bolivia)-1(China)
231	16 Nov. 2017	S/PV.8105	Middle East (Syria)	Russian Federation (133)	11-2(Bolivia)-2(China, Egypt)

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¹ These Tables add to those found on pages 300 to 311 of the book which cover veto

² The Council members named in this column are those which, in addition to the vetoing permanent member(s), did not vote in favour of the proposal.

³ Voting was carried out in accordance with the procedure in use during the COVID-19 pandemic as set out in the letter of 27 March 2020 from the Council President (S/2020/253).

⁴ The 1955 Chinese veto of Mongolia's application for UN membership occurred while the Republic of China occupied China's seat on the Security Council. The subsequent 17 veto

⁵ Of this total, 114 veto

⁶ Official communiqués recorded that one proposal on 13 March 1953 and another on 19 November 1996 on the appointment of the Secretary-General were vetoed at private meetings. The communiqués did not identify the vetoers, but the Soviet Union later acknowledged its veto in the first case and the United States, in the second. Because these two veto

230	24 Oct. 2017	S/PV.8073	Middle East (Syria)	Russian Federation (132)	11-2(Bolivia)-2(China, Kazakhstan)
229	12 Apr. 2017	S/PV.7922	Middle East (Syria)	Russian Federation (131)	10-2(Bolivia)-3(China, Ethiopia, Kazakhstan)
228	28 Feb. 2017	S/PV.7893	Middle East (Syria)	China (13), Russian Federation (130)	9-3(Bolivia)-3(Egypt, Ethiopia, Kazakhstan)
227	5 Dec. 2016	S/PV.7825	Middle East (Syria)	China (12), Russian Federation (129)	11-3(Venezuela)-1 (Angola)
226	8 Oct. 2016	S/PV.7785	Middle East (Syria)	Russian Federation (128)	11-2(Venezuela) -2(Angola, China)
225	29 July 2015	S/PV.7498	Ukraine (proposal to establish an international tribunal in connection with the downing of Malaysia Airlines flight MH17)	Russian Federation (127)	11-1-3 (Angola, China, Venezuela)
224	8 July 2015	S/PV.7481	Bosnia and Herzegovina (commemoration of 20th anniversary of Srebrenica genocide)	Russian Federation (126)	11-1-4 (Angola, China, Nigeria, Venezuela)
223	22 May 2014	S/PV.7180	Middle East (Syria)	China (11), Russian Federation (125)	13-2-0
222	15 Mar. 2014	S/PV.7138	Ukraine (Crimea)	Russian Federation (124)	13-1-1 (China)

(b) Total recorded vetoed proposals and total recorded vetoes by each permanent member, 1946 to present

Total number of vetoes cast		Total vetoes cast by each permanent member				
		China	France	USSR/ Russian Federation	United Kingdom	United States
Vetoes for which members officially identified	293	18	18	141	30	86
Vetoes at private meetings; members unofficially identified⁶	2	0	0	1	0	1
TOTAL	294	18⁴	18	142^{6 7}	30	87⁶

⁷ Of this total, 114 vetoes were cast under the name of the Soviet Union and 28 under the name of the Russian Federation.