



## organizational issues



- USCR meets (Angola chairs)
  - UNSCR decides to permit press and observers
  - UN agencies brief Security Council, highlighting potential humanitarian need, lines of communication, concerns of neighbouring countries





## elections?



- China presents draft statement, calling for prompt elections in Binni by end of week 2
  - UN advisors privately believe this cannot be implemented, but not asked to brief UNSCR
  - several countries raise concerns about possible sanctions, plan "B"
  - Russia argues that elections cannot be hastily organized (and has concerns about UNSCR mandating elections)



## elections?



- China modifies proposed statement, with less "demand" language
  - Chapter 6? 7? UNSCR or UN SG statement?
  - Russia anxious to avoid placing all blame on GoB or all emphasis on elections
    - US responds that elections are of critical importance



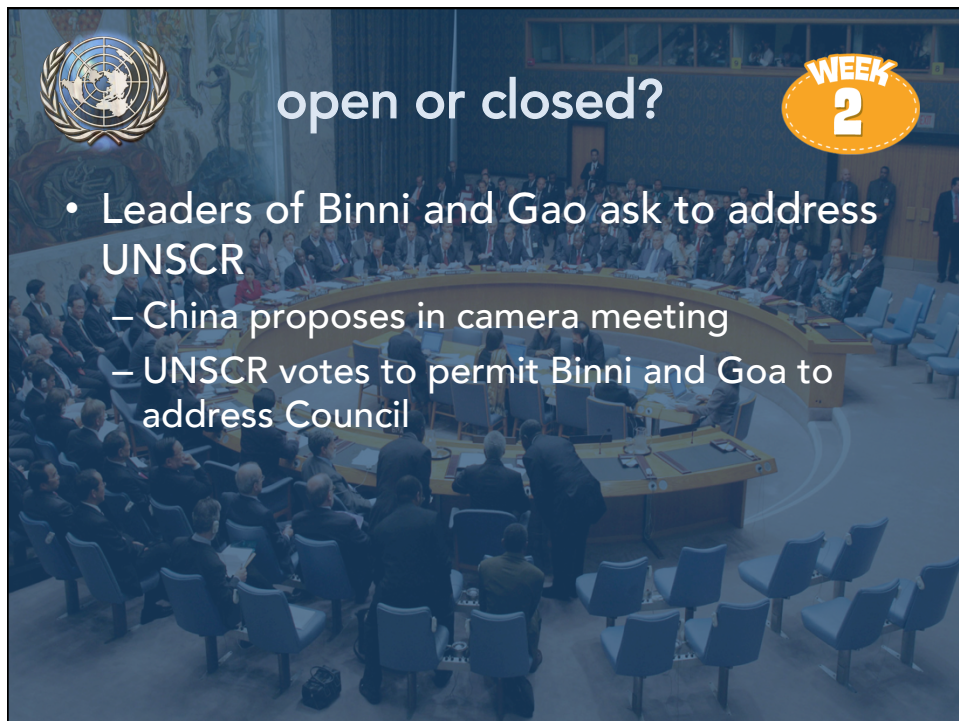
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## UNSCR role




- China assumes UNSCR chair
- UN advisors invited to update meeting on refugee flows and current military actions (primarily by GoB)
  - armed opposition forces reported near capital
- China proposes UNSCR adjourns and meet again in a few days



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## open or closed?



- Leaders of Binni and Gao ask to address UNSCR
  - China proposes in camera meeting
  - UNSCR votes to permit Binni and Gao to address Council



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 **regionals** 

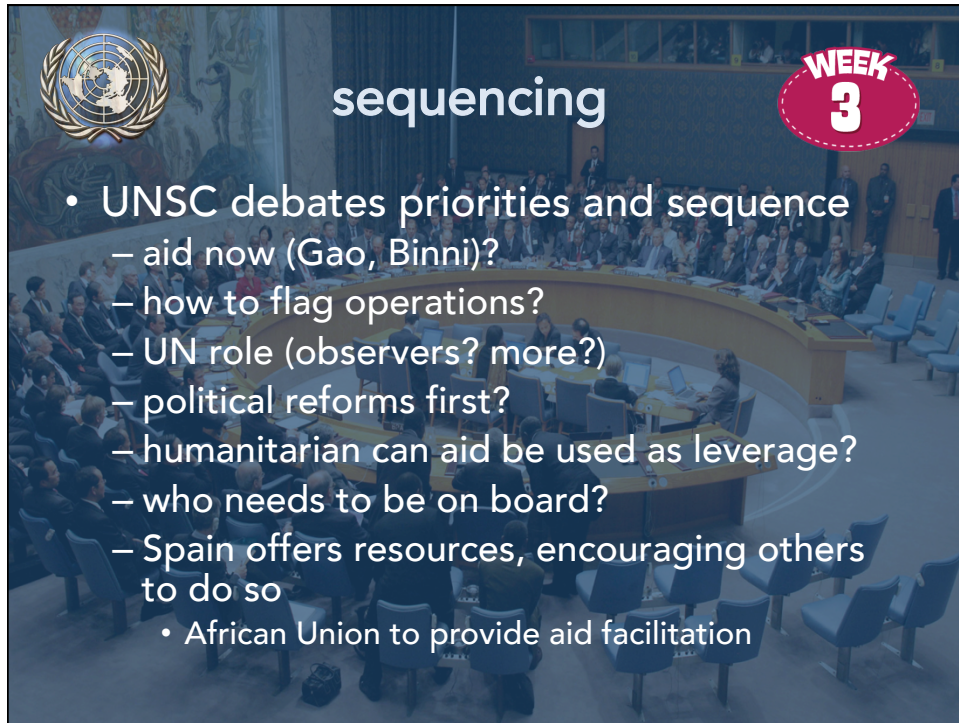
- Gao emphasizes need for humanitarian support, argues for UN support
  - Binni supports proposed operation





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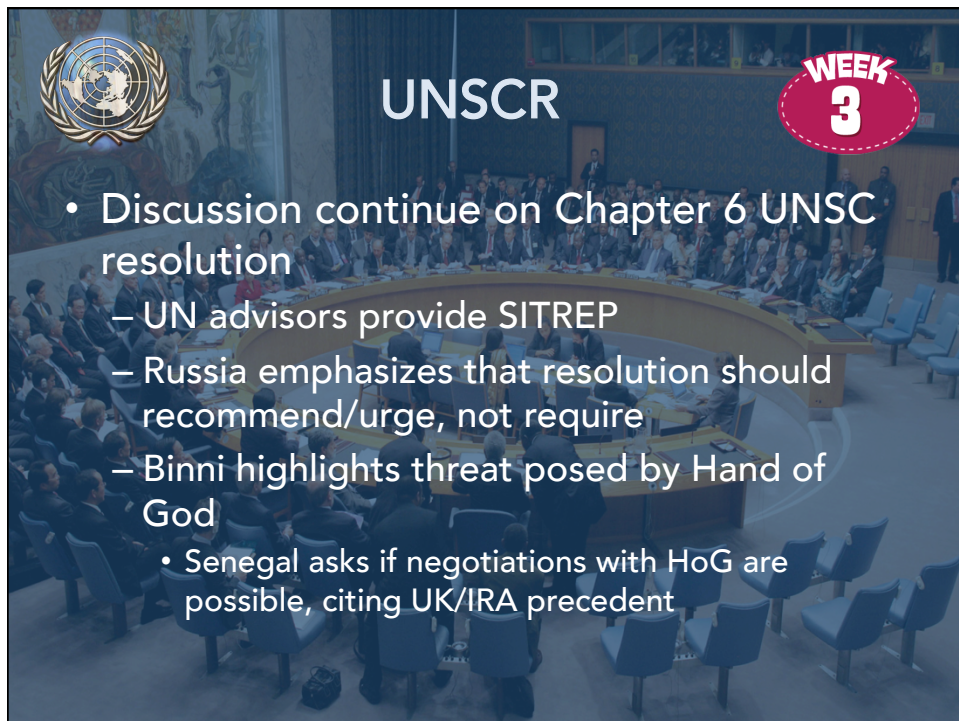
 **regionals** 



- Egypt assumes chair of UNSC
  - reads statement by Binnian Muslim groups, highlighting plight and grievances
- President of Binni addresses UNSC
  - proclaims an inclusive vision of the country
  - points to release of leader of opposition, willingness to consider coalition government
  - stresses need for humanitarian assistance, action against Hand of God



 **sequencing** 

- UNSC debates priorities and sequence
  - aid now (Gao, Binni)?
  - how to flag operations?
  - UN role (observers? more?)
  - political reforms first?
  - humanitarian can aid be used as leverage?
  - who needs to be on board?
  - Spain offers resources, encouraging others to do so
    - African Union to provide aid facilitation



 **UNSCR** 

- Discussion continue on Chapter 6 UNSC resolution
  - UN advisors provide SITREP
  - Russia emphasizes that resolution should recommend/urge, not require
  - Binni highlights threat posed by Hand of God
    - Senegal asks if negotiations with HoG are possible, citing UK/IRA precedent



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## UNSCR

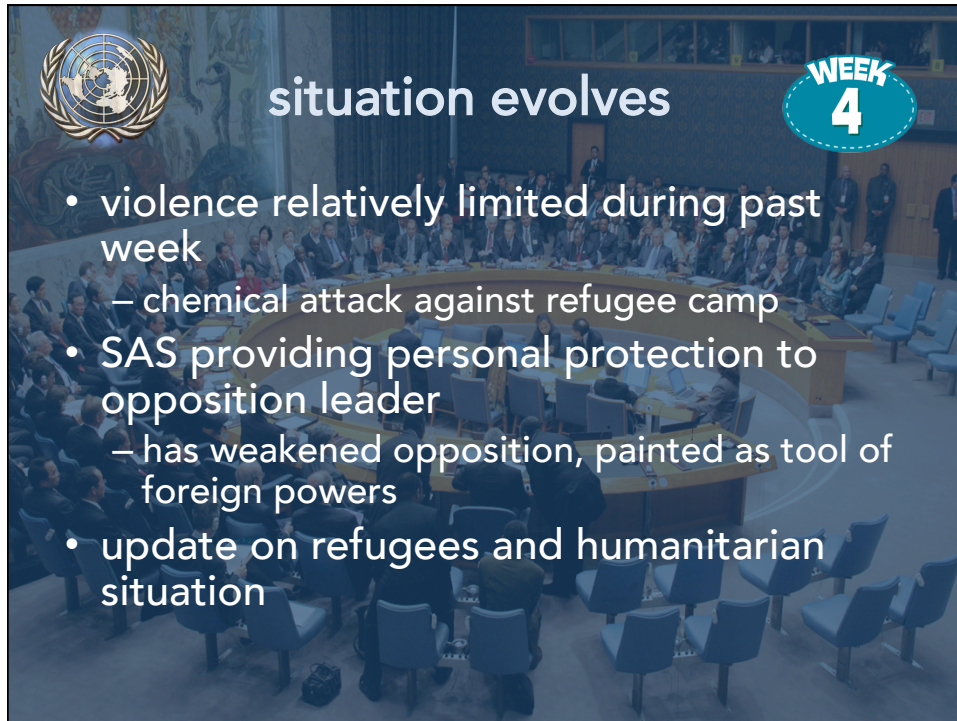
- UNSC passes resolution on AU-facilitated humanitarian operation





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## good offices

- Malaysia proposes UN provides good offices for negotiations between GoB and opposition
  - UNSC coalesces around this proposal because everything else seems contentious and difficult



 **situation evolves** 

- violence relatively limited during past week
  - chemical attack against refugee camp
- SAS providing personal protection to opposition leader
  - has weakened opposition, painted as tool of foreign powers
- update on refugees and humanitarian situation



 **terror!** 

- pro-HoG journalist briefly attends open session of UNSC
  - US calls for closed meeting
  - China views this as US-UK plot to silence discussion
- Malaysia angry so little attention to refugee camp attack
  - Russia, Egypt offers UN observers to investigate
  - UN mandates investigation; government and Muslim rebels cooperate



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 **political moves?** 

- Japan chairs UNSC
- UNSG appoints SRSG to promote talks and develop UN operations plan
- US and Egypt debate importance of elections



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 **elections...** 

- Malaysia chairs UNSC
- factions agree to national elections
  - Binnian military forces in barracks on election day
  - roadmap needed
- factions agree HoG is major threat
  - government forces continue operations against HoG, now supported by rebel militias
- UN to organize observers





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 humanitarian ops week  
**6**

- SRSB provides humanitarian update
- Senegal/AU has received humanitarian financing



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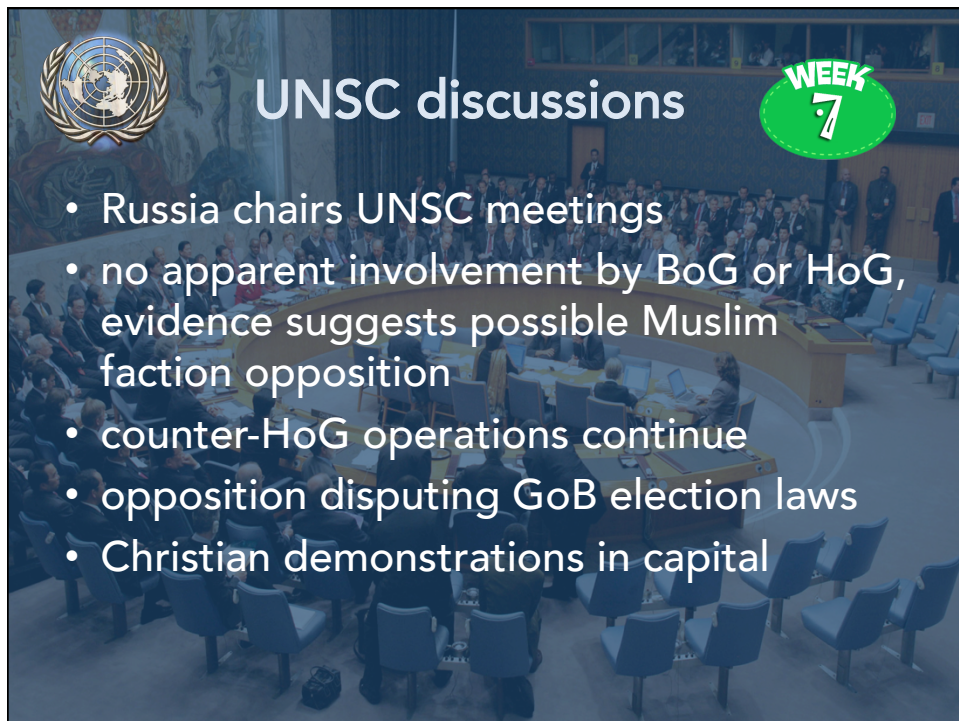
 counterterrorism week  
**6**



- SRSB addresses threat posed by HoG



 **SRSG updates** 

- Russia chairs UNSC meetings
- no apparent involvement by BoG or HoG, evidence suggests possible Muslim faction opposition
- counter-HoG operations continue
- opposition disputing GoB election laws
- Christian demonstrations in capital
- rumours of UNSC willingness to tolerate HoG generates anger at UN humanitarian workers



 **UNSC discussions** 


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## Empire Strikes Back



- Senegal chairs UNSC
- President of Binn reelected with 52% of vote
  - opposition leader joins cabinet
- SRSG updates UNSC
  - elections conducted under unfair electoral law
  - Christian secure political loyalties of key leaders in capital
  - China: I told you so



## Plan B?



- Christian forces seize capital and arrest President
  - President freed by unknown group, later killed
- UNSC discusses next steps
  - unable to keep up with rapidly-changing events on the ground, UNSC to focus on humanitarian situation?



## observations from NY


- civil war
- agreement on transitional elections
- loser attempts to seize capital

Angola  
1975-1992

Bicesse  
Accords  
1991-92

Savimbi attempts  
(unsuccessfully)  
to capture Luanda

civil war continues  
10 more years  
(500,000 dead)



## observations from NY

- NY time vs field time
  - partly simulation artifact, partly real
- UN action entirely dependent on members states
  - UN humanitarian action (partial) exception
  - SRSG as focal point and plan-generator
- constraints of (public) diplomacy



## observations from NY

- player presumptions
- heavily focused on kinetic and military components
  - election laws/preparation
  - DDR
  - refugee repatriation
- (too much) sneaky stuff?



## observations from NY

- space allocation and use a key element of game design
- in-game communication also key to game design and flow