ARAB LEAGUE

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Opening talks in the Arab League focused in the Palestinian-Israeli question divided the body. Lebanon has been focused on supporting the two-state resolution in 1947, with majority of the body also in support of the resolution, it stood as a good starting platform in continuing talks. While in discussion of the two-state solution, questions about the Israeli settlers caused for concerns, and an option was introduced to allow the settlement to remain.

With the recent terror attack in Bahrain that ended with the death of the Ambassador along with many casualties, information has been released that the attacker was linked with the IRGC. This news has spiked tension between the US and the Arab League on handling the sensitive security issue as the US National Security Advisor Colin Powell give a speech on the necessity of the Arab League to prioritize a response as none has been given. Currently the Arab League is focused on the Israel and Palestine conflict, where positions on its solution has divided the body with possible resolutions that would recognize the two-state solution, while others are bent on going to war. A resolution adopted by consensus submitted by Lebanon on the Alliance Against Al-Qaeda has addressed the 9/11 attack on the United states acknowledging that

something must be done, and it comes in the form of a military alliance of Arab Nation in combating radical Islamism organizations as a short-term goal. As recent resolution AL/1/2 was passed, the position the body expressed, in said resolution, was one of unity in acceptance of a non-aggression agreement between the Arab States and Israel in striving for a peace talks, and relations.