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STATEMENT BY THE DELEGATION OF UKRAINE ON RUSSIA'S WAR OF AGGRESSION AGAINST UKRAINE

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Mr. Chairperson,

I would like to deliver a statement on the subject of Russia's war of aggression against Ukraine.

The Russian Federation has continued to wage its unprovoked and unjustified war of aggression against Ukraine. The escalation of its aerial assaults on Ukraine in recent weeks exemplifies the intensifying brutality of this war.

On September 7, 2025, Russia unleashed its largest air attack to date, launching a barrage of drones and missiles that struck civilian infrastructure across northern, southern, and eastern Ukraine, resulting in at least four deaths and widespread destruction, including a government building set ablaze.

Just two days later, on the night of September 9-10, the aggressor launched an unprecedented 415 drones alongside over 40 cruise and ballistic missiles, overwhelming Ukrainian air defenses and causing further devastation to energy facilities and residential areas. This was followed by another series of drone and missile strikes on the night of September 12-13, targeting critical infrastructure and endangering civilian lives once more.

These attacks are nothing but part of a systematic campaign of terror, aimed at breaking the will of the Ukrainian people and destabilizing our economy. They contravene international humanitarian law and the OSCE's commitments on civilian protection, demanding a unified response from this forum to hold Russia accountable.

Esteemed colleagues,

What makes this escalation even more alarming is its spillover into the territories of OSCE participating States. On September 9, multiple Russian drones violated Poland's airspace, forcing Polish defenses to act. Just days later, a Russian drone crossed into Romanian airspace during another assault on Ukraine. These provocations are not "accidents" – they are deliberate attempts to test our collective resolve, undermine regional stability, and drag the entire Euro-Atlantic community closer to broader confrontation.

Mr. Chairperson,

The Russian Federation's war is not only Ukraine's tragedy. It is a test for the credibility of the OSCE and for the principles that bind us together. If unchecked, such aggression erodes the very foundation of European and global security.

We call on all states that uphold international law and the rules-based order to impose new, crippling sanctions on the Russian economy and industry, particularly its defence sector, energy revenues, banking system, and all individuals and legal entities that directly or indirectly facilitate the armed aggression against Ukraine.

We also urge our allies to accelerate the supply of all types of air defence systems and ammunition and to invest in Ukraine's defence manufacturing. These measures will allow us to protect lives and save civilians.

Only through resolute collective action can we restore peace and deter further aggression.

Thank you.