



**Permanent Mission of Ukraine**  
to the International Organizations in Vienna

**Statement by the Delegation of Ukraine  
on the invocation of the OSCE Human Dimension Moscow  
Mechanism on Russia's war of aggression against Ukraine**

As delivered by Ambassador Yevhenii Tsymbaliuk,  
Permanent Representative of Ukraine to the International Organizations in Vienna,  
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**Mr. Chairman,**

The Delegation of Ukraine wishes to express its full support to the important initiative, presented in the joint statement of 45 participating States, on the invocation of the OSCE Moscow Mechanism on Russia's ongoing armed aggression against Ukraine, which will follow up and build upon the findings of the Moscow Mechanism Report of 12 April 2022.

We sincerely appreciate that following the consultations with Ukraine the overwhelming majority of participating States agreed on the need to continue the documentation of gross violations of international humanitarian and human rights law, war crimes and crimes against humanity, committed by the Russian Federation and its armed forces during the ongoing war of aggression against Ukraine, and decided to invoke the Moscow Mechanism for this end.

Let me remind that in its Report of 12 April, the Mission of experts found clear patterns of international humanitarian and human rights law violations by the Russian armed forces on many of the issues investigated. The Mission also came to a conclusion that serious international enquiry is needed to investigate summary executions of a large number of civilians during the Russian occupation of towns in the proximity of Kyiv, in particular Bucha, Hostomel, Irpin and Borodyanka, pointing to war crimes and crimes against humanity committed by the Russian armed forces.

Given the extremely grave situation and the list of Russia's atrocities in Ukraine constantly growing, the monitoring and documentation by independent experts should continue.

We believe that the invocation of the OSCE Human Dimension Moscow Mechanism would significantly contribute to the overall international efforts to ensure justice and hold to account the masterminds and perpetrators of Russia's crimes in Ukraine.

The Delegation of Ukraine expresses its readiness to invite a mission of experts in accordance with the procedures of the OSCE Moscow Mechanism.

I kindly ask that this Statement be attached to the Journal of the Day.

**Thank you, Mr. Chairman.**