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Statement of Mongolia regarding the tragic crash of Malaysian Airlines Flight MH17 in Ukraine

As delivered by Ambassador Gunaajav Batjargal at the 1011th Special meeting of the Permanent Council

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Mr. Chairperson,

The Delegation of Mongolia expresses its sincere condolences to the families of all victims of the tragic crash of the Malaysian Airlines Flight MH17 in the Ukrainian territory. We are shocked and saddened by the terrible loss of innocent lives.

My delegation fully supports the statement made by the OSCE Chairperson-in-Office following this tragic crash, in particular the circumstances which led to this tragedy had to be investigated in a thorough and impartial manner. In this context, we also support the efforts of the Trilateral Contact Group, the Special Monitoring Mission, as well as of other OSCE actors aimed at de-escalating the situation in Ukraine.

In conclusion, the delegation of Mongolia wishes to stress that the right to life of all people must be respected under all circumstances.

Thank you, Mr. Chairperson.