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On the report by the Russian Ministry of Foreign Affairs on neo-Nazism

Mr. Chairperson,

On the eve of the 70th anniversary of the end of the Second World War, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation prepared a report entitled "Neo-Nazism – A Dangerous Threat to Human Rights, Democracy and the Rule of Law".

The report reflects neo-Nazi trends worldwide and the situation as regards States' adherence to their international legal obligations in combating Nazism and neo-Nazism. It provides a detailed review of international instruments and mechanisms for the fight against Nazism, war crimes, crimes against humanity, genocide, glorification of Nazism, neo-Nazism, aggressive nationalism, discrimination, xenophobia, racism and other forms of intolerance.

It reports separately on the situation in a number of countries around the world in the context of examining the rise of neo-Nazism as a dangerous challenge to human rights, democracy and the rule of law.

The report has been posted on the OSCE delegates' website in Russian and English.