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Permanent Mission of Ukraine to the International Organizations in Vienna

<u>Statement by the Delegation of Ukraine</u> at the 1134th meeting of the Permanent Council

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Mr. Chairman,

Ukraine strongly supports the efforts of the international community, in particular of the Minsk Group Co-Chairs, aimed at a peaceful resolution of the Nagorno-Karabakh conflict, which would ensure sovereignty and territorial integrity of the Republic of Azerbaijan.

We consider the so-called "referendum" planned for 20 February 2017 by the unrecognized regime as illegal and illegitimate. Ukraine will not recognize it, and its outcomes shall have no legal consequences.

Thank you, Mr. Chairman.