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Mr Chair,

Ireland aligns to the statement made by the European Union. As one of the invoking states of the Moscow Mechanism under discussion, we welcome the report of the independent experts and subscribe to the joint statement delivered by my Albanian colleague. We would, however, like to make the following brief remarks in our national capacity:

The report highlights “the magnitude and frequency of Russia’s indiscriminate attacks against civilians and civilian objects” in Ukraine. It also draws attention to the targeted killing of civilians and widespread human rights abuses including unlawful detentions and mistreatment in the areas of Ukraine currently under Russian control. We are grateful to the experts for their report, which we believe is a valuable tool for all those who are determined to ensure that there will be no impunity for war crimes or atrocity crimes, and that those responsible will be held accountable.

Once again, we condemn Russia’s unjustified, unprovoked and unacceptable invasion of Ukraine. We call on Russia to immediately end its war in Ukraine, release all citizens in detention, including SMM personnel, and cease the promotion of false narratives and disinformation.

We reaffirm our unwavering support for the independence, sovereignty, and territorial integrity of Ukraine within its internationally recognized borders including its territorial waters. We reiterate our full support for Ukraine’s path to EU membership, as well as our commitment to work together with Ukraine and our EU partners on the reconstruction of Ukraine.

Thank you.