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**On the events at Makhachkala airport**

Mr. Chairperson,

We firmly reject the insinuations voiced with regard to the events at Uytash airport in Makhachkala. During the violent riots of 29 October this year, attacks were carried out on the premises of the airport. There were casualties among the law enforcement officers involved in preventing these disturbances. According to preliminary estimates, the damage to the airport totalled around 285 million roubles.

The Investigative Committee of the Russian Federation has opened criminal proceedings under Article 212, paragraphs 1 and 2, of the Criminal Code of the Russian Federation (“Mass riots”). According to the law enforcement agencies, as of 1 November, 17 people had been detained and remanded in custody for three to ten days in connection with the events at Makhachkala airport. Work is under way to establish the identity of all those involved in the organization of these unlawful actions. At the moment, necessary measures are being taken to restore normal operation at the airport as soon as possible.

There is no doubt in Russia that the disturbances were inspired from outside. The law enforcement agencies and intelligence services have evidence that the illegal activities were organized specifically through social media. The trail leads to the intelligence services of the Kyiv regime, which is *de facto* under the operational control and total management of the United States of America and its satellites. Is it possible that the West is unaware of what specific operations the criminal Kyiv regime is trying to carry out in Russia?

By the way, *Washington Post* journalists recently asked the same question. In their article of 23 October this year, they analysed the history of the close connections that exist between the US and British intelligence services and the Kyiv regime’s Main Intelligence Directorate in the Ministry of Defence and the Ukrainian Security Service. It is noted that the Kyiv regime’s intelligence services, trained by the Anglo-Saxons after the coup d’état of 2014, have committed dozens of politically motivated murders in Russia in recent months. We have repeatedly raised this topic in the Permanent Council, recalling the assassinations of Darya Dugina and Vladlen Tatarkov and attempts on the lives of others, but the representatives of the Western countries obstinately try to suppress these stories. US journalists have questioned why, after these killings, the United States and the United Kingdom have continued to provide

financial and other support to the Kyiv regime's intelligence services. How is this to be understood? Is the West openly waging an indirect terrorist war with Russia?

Here are some very recent examples. On 7 October, a car carrying Vladimir Malov, a representative of the regional branch of a political party, was blown up in the Kherson region and he died of his injuries.

On 27 October, Oleg Tsaryov, a former Ukrainian politician, ex-speaker of the Novorossiia parliament, was shot in Yalta, but not fatally. The co-ordinator of the assassination attempt was a citizen recruited in January this year who, by his own admission, received instructions from the Ukrainian Security Service to collect information for the preparation of the assassination attempt.

Unable to achieve results on the battlefield, NATO's puppets in Kyiv have organized terrorist, sabotage and subversive activities on the territory of our country in an attempt to sow confusion and intimidate and weaken the Russian people from within.

The organized attack at Makhachkala airport is an attempt to use the dramatic situation in the Middle East against our country and the stability of Russian society. Russia sees and understands this and responds decisively to efforts of this kind aimed at destabilizing and dividing the multi-ethnic and multi-confessional Russian people.

Thank you for your attention.