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PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION,  
AT THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE OSCE PERMANENT COUNCIL**

13 April 2011

**Regarding the terrorist act in the Minsk metro**

Dear Alyaksandr Nikolayevich,

We express our deepest and most sincere condolences in connection with the tragedy that occurred in the Minsk metro on 11 April, where as a result of an explosion 12 people were killed and many innocent people, among them three Russian citizens, were injured.

We sincerely empathize with the fraternal Belarusian nation's pain in the face of this irreplaceable loss. Russia immediately offered Belarus all the necessary aid in the investigation into this very serious crime along with assistance to the victims of the terrorist act.

We firmly believe that together we shall be able to carry the burden of this misfortune that has befallen the Belarusian people.