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BELARUS TO THE OSCE, AT THE MEETING OF THE  
OSCE PERMANENT COUNCIL**

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**Regarding the acts of terrorism in Norway**

Mr. Chairperson,

We should like to express our deep and sincere condolences to our Norwegian colleagues in connection with the horrific and tragic events that occurred on 22 July in Oslo and on the island of Utøya.

The President of Belarus, on behalf of the Belarusian people and on his own behalf, has personally offered his sympathy and support to the Norwegian leadership and to the families and loved ones of those who perished and suffered as a result of these terrorist acts, and to all the Norwegian people.

His message reads (and I quote): “These tragedies in Norway, bringing death and suffering to a great number of people, have filled the hearts of every citizen of Belarus with pain and grief. The Republic of Belarus resolutely condemns violence against peaceful, innocent individuals, and stands alongside Norway in the struggle against all forms and manifestations of terrorism and extremism.”

Thank you, Mr. Chairperson.