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EU Statement on Russia's war of aggression against Ukraine

1. In just one day last week, Russia reportedly killed 27 people and injured 120 others during its attacks across eastern Ukraine, with one of these attacks killing 12, making it one of the worst strikes this year. Russia's illegal, unprovoked and unjustifiable war of aggression against Ukraine now lasts for over 1,500 days and almost no day passes when we do not hear of civilian or battlefield casualties as Russia continues to bring death and destruction to Ukraine and beyond. At the same time, as High Representative Kaja Kallas highlighted last week: "The grim battlefield math shows Russia is losing a record number of soldiers. For the first time in years, Moscow's Victory parade is about to take place without any heavy military equipment. This tells a lot about how the war is going for Russia."
2. Mr Chair, the EU and its Member States resolutely condemn Russia's illegal, unprovoked and unjustifiable war of aggression against Ukraine, which is directly assaulting the principles of the UN Charter and manifestly violating the OSCE's core principles and commitments. As Russia continues to target civilians and destroy civilian infrastructure, we reaffirm our strong commitment to ensuring full accountability for war crimes and the other most serious crimes committed in connection with Russia's war of aggression against Ukraine.
3. Last week, Ukraine again proposed a ceasefire. Yet, once again, with its attacks Russia continued to show that it is not serious when it talks of ceasefire or peace. Unacceptably, Russia also threatened civilians in blatant disregard of international humanitarian law, as well as our diplomatic missions, with a large scale attack on Kyiv.
4. We reiterate that the only way to stop human suffering and allow space for meaningful peace talks is to stop the killing immediately and agree a long-term ceasefire. We underline our strong support for a comprehensive, just and lasting peace in Ukraine. based on the principles of the UN Charter and international law and underpinned by robust and credible security guarantees for Ukraine. We urge

Russia to agree to a full, unconditional and immediate ceasefire and engage in meaningful negotiations towards a just and lasting peace. The EU and its Member States will continue to actively participate in peace efforts, in accordance with the European Union's aim to promote peace. The path to peace in Ukraine cannot be decided without Ukraine.

5. We call on Russia to stop its aggression and immediately, completely and unconditionally withdraw all of its forces and military equipment from the entire territory of Ukraine within its internationally recognised borders. Borders must not be changed by force. We reaffirm our continued firm and unwavering support for Ukraine's independence, sovereignty and territorial integrity.
6. The EU and its Member States urge all countries to immediately cease any assistance to Russia in its war of aggression against Ukraine, whether direct or indirect, and notably through the provision of dual-use goods and components. In particular, we strongly condemn the deployment of the DPRK's military forces in the war against Ukraine as well as the continued military support provided by Iran, Belarus and the DPRK, among others.
7. We also strongly condemn the repeated breaches of the airspace of our Member States, by the Russian Federation, including of Romania on 7 May, as a consequence of the brutal Russian attacks against Ukraine's civilian infrastructure at the ports on the Danube. We urge Russia to refrain from further violations of the airspace of the European Union's Member States. We express our full solidarity with Romania.
8. Mr Chair, since the start of Russia's full-scale invasion, the EU and its Member States have been the largest provider of support, with over EUR 200 billion already mobilised in total, including military assistance. Our multi-faceted support does not end there, we will continue providing it to Ukraine and its people, including political, financial, economic, humanitarian, military and diplomatic support.

Thank you.

Albania, Andorra, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Georgia, Iceland, Liechtenstein, Republic of Moldova, Montenegro, North Macedonia, Norway and Ukraine align themselves with this statement.