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STATEMENT ON THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION'S ONGOING AGGRESSION AGAINST UKRAINE

As delivered by Military Adviser Colonel Bjørn Gaute Herlyng at the 1136th
Meeting of the Forum for Security Cooperation,

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Norway aligns itself with the statement delivered by the European Union.
Allow me to add a few remarks in my national capacity.

Russia's war of aggression against Ukraine is now in its fifth year. Russia
continues its illegal and brutal attacks. Ukraine is exercising its inherent
right of self-defence against an illegal, unjustified and unprovoked attack.

Like all states, Norway has the right to support Ukraine's self-defence, and
we remain firmly committed to doing so. Our military assistance is closely
coordinated with allies and partners and is guided by Ukraine's clearly
identified priority needs.

In this context, Norway has increased its support to Ukraine through the
NATO Prioritised Ukraine Requirements List mechanism. This framework
enables the rapid delivery of critical capabilities, including air defence, with
immediate effect on the battlefield. The support is coordinated with
Ukraine reflects our determination to ensure predictability and
sustainability in our assistance.

This war can end today. Russia alone bears sole responsibility and can end
it instantly by ceasing its attacks and withdrawing all its forces fully and
unconditionally to outside of Ukraine's internationally recognised borders.
Norway calls upon Russia to do so.

Thank you.

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