



Permanent Mission of Ukraine
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STATEMENT BY THE DELEGATION OF UKRAINE

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Mr Chairperson,

[Ukraine aligns itself with the statement delivered by the European Union.

In addition, I would like to make a few remarks in my national capacity.]

At the outset, allow me to express Ukraine's sincere appreciation to the France successful and productive Chairpersonship for its dedicated leadership during the first trimester of 2026. Your Chairpersonship, Ambassador BENHABYLÉS-FOETH, has, in many cases, been a milestone in the friendship and partnership between Ukraine and France.

We also welcome Georgia as the new FSC Chairpersonship.

Ambassador MAISURADZE, we wish you and your team every success in steering the work of the Forum in the coming months. Please count on Ukraine's full support and active cooperation.

We thank Her Excellency, Mrs. MAKA BOTCHORISHVILI, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Georgia for her introductory remarks at this session. Your participation in the FSC Forum shows a real devotion to European security principles and policy in the OSCE region.

Russia's war of aggression against Ukraine remains the gravest threat to security in the OSCE area. While Ukraine continues to work with partners towards a just and lasting peace, Russia continues to choose terror, destruction and deception.

Russia is not interested in peace. It is interested in destabilization. It has turned its seat in the UN and other international organizations into a tool for shielding aggression, blocking accountability and undermining the rules-based international order.

Unable to break Ukrainian resistance at the front, Russia deliberately targets civilians. Its deadly strikes on Ukraine's rear, combined with its refusal to extend the so-called "Easter truce" — which it itself grossly violated — once again prove a simple fact: Russia uses false peace gestures as cover for continued violence.

Mr Chairperson,

Ukraine supports the working programme proposed by the Chairpersonship of Georgia for this trimester. The Ukrainian Delegation looks forward to participating actively in these important discussions.

We also appreciate Georgia comprehensive approach to security – a principle that lies at the very heart of the OSCE.

In conclusion, let me again convey our best wishes for Georgia successful Chairpersonship and welcome United Kingdom as a new member of Triika.

Thank you, Mr Chairperson.