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Permanent Mission of Ireland to the
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Ireland National Statement

Thank you, Chairs,

Ireland aligns itself fully with the statement delivered by the European Union. I would like to add the following brief remarks in my national capacity.

Ireland joins others in strongly condemning Russia's massive and indiscriminate missile and drone attacks on Kyiv and other Ukrainian cities on the night of 23–24 May. The deliberate targeting of civilians is a war crime. Russia has again demonstrated its utter disregard for human lives, and for human decency.

We have called repeatedly on Russia to end its aggression in Ukraine, to withdraw all of its forces from all of Ukraine and to engage in a genuine dialogue leading to lasting peace.

But Russia has again and again shown it is not interested in peace. Russia could stop its brutal attacks at any time. Yet it refuses to do so. Instead, Russia continues to target Ukraine's civilians and critical infrastructure.

Chairs,

Russia must be held accountable for its aggression against Ukraine. That's why Ireland has joined others in ratifying its participation in the International Claims Commission for Ukraine and supports the establishment of the Special Tribunal for the Crime of Aggression against Ukraine.

Together with partners, Ireland will continue to work for a just and lasting peace for Ukraine guided by our shared principles of sovereignty, independence and territorial integrity, based on the UN Charter and international law that provides the necessary security guarantees.

Today, our hearts are with the victims of Russia's latest brutality, and our solidarity is with all the people of Ukraine.

Thank you.