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**STATEMENT BY THE DELEGATION OF UKRAINE  
ON RUSSIA'S WAR OF AGGRESSION AGAINST UKRAINE**

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**Mr. Chairperson,**

I would like to deliver a statement on the subject of Russia's ongoing war of aggression against Ukraine.

The scale of Russia's aerial descriptive campaign against Ukraine, between last week remains unprecedented.

Russia have launched more than 2 300 attack drones, nearly 1 560 guided aerial bombs, and 108 missiles of various types against Ukraine. At least 19 civilians were killed and 146 civilians were injured across Ukraine.

On the 2nd of June Russia launched another massive combined attack against Ukraine, **using 73 missiles of different types and 656 drones**. Ukrainian air defence destroyed or suppressed **40 missiles and 602 UAVs**, this attack claimed the lives of at least **22** people and left more than 130 others injured, among them 2 children.

Russia has been deploying its entire spectrum of lethal missiles and drones against Kyiv for years. The strikes have not ceased for a single week – so Russian threats regarding preparations for the new massive attacks are nothing short of shameless blackmail. Moscow is

effectively admitting that its attacks are aimed, among other things, at intimidating the foreign diplomatic corps.

For years, Putin has been shamelessly lying that Russian troops only strike military objectives.

Yet now, even its own official propaganda machinery finally concedes that Russia does kill indiscriminately. And now we hear something even more revealing.

These threats are no longer voiced only by Russia's military command. They are now being openly articulated by the Russian Foreign Ministry itself that turned into the most aggressive and brazen megaphone of war in human history.

**Mr. Chairperson,**

We are closely monitoring Russia's activities aimed at further involving Belarus in aggression against Ukraine. This is another disturbing issue that I would like to turn the attention of today's meeting.

The Lukashenko regime has effectively surrendered its sovereignty, allowing Moscow to use its territory, military infrastructure, and airspace.

In this scenario, the Belarusian regime plays the role not merely of an actor, but of a specific proxy playing arena, allowing the Kremlin to test new methods of hybrid pressure while formally staying in the shadows or acting on behalf of a so-called "independent" state that is supposedly merely defending itself against a so-called "aggressive coalition".

Under mounting pressure from the Kremlin, Belarus is being pushed toward deeper involvement in the war, including through mobilization measures, the deployment of advanced missile systems, and nuclear-related exercises, thereby also posing an unprecedented threat to European security.

The current phase of Russian-Belarusian cooperation is characterized by an aggressive shift in focus toward cognitive and hybrid warfare. The main goal of this joint campaign is to undermine unity within Europe and erode public trust in EU security institutions.

Ukraine hopes that Belarus will not start an invasion from its soil, and will not pose a new threat to the European community but there should be no doubt that Ukraine will defend itself in strict accordance with Article 51 of the UN Charter.

In conclusion, Dear Colleagues, let me stress the following:

On 1st of June, the President of Ukraine conferred state awards on those whose courage and professionalism made possible the historic operation – "Spiderweb". As a result of this operation, 41 Russian aircraft were destroyed or damaged. Ukraine has once again demonstrated that it is capable of acting actively, asymmetrically and effectively.

Today, Ukraine continues to apply what may be called “long-range sanctions” against Russia’s war machine. From January to May of this year, the Defence Forces of Ukraine struck 15 Russian oil refineries. As of May, nearly 40% of Russia’s primary oil refining capacity had been taken out of operation.

While Russia seeks to prolong and expand this war, Ukraine will continue to exercise its inherent right to self-defence under international law, targeting the military and economic capacity that enables Russia’s aggression.

**Thank you, Mr. Chairperson.**