



**Delegation of  
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**Statement by the Delegation of Ukraine**

As for delivery by Permanent Representative Ihor Prokopchuk  
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Mr. Chairperson,

The Delegation of Ukraine would like to inform the Permanent Council on the visit to Ukraine of the OSCE Representative on Freedom of the Media Ms. Dunja Mijatovic that took place on 11-12 October upon the invitation of the Government of Ukraine.

During her visit to Kyiv Ms. Mijatovic met with the Speaker of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine (Parliament of Ukraine), the Minister for Foreign Affairs of Ukraine, the Deputy Head of the Presidential Administration, as well as the Chair of the National Council on Television and Radio Broadcasting of Ukraine and the Director-General of the National Television Company of Ukraine. The meetings were also held with the chairpersons of parliamentary committees dealing with free speech and media issues and with media experts.

The meetings addressed an extensive number of issues concerning the legislative reform in the media sphere in Ukraine and various media developments in Ukraine. The Ukrainian authorities have reaffirmed their unequivocal commitment to ensuring media freedom, upholding pluralism and protecting journalists, which has already been illustrated by several concrete steps, and will continue to be genuinely implemented.

We are pleased to note that the Representative's visit to Ukraine demonstrated the readiness and willingness from both sides to continue direct, open and constructive dialogue and cooperation.

The Delegation of Ukraine also maintains fruitful cooperation with the RFoM Office here in Vienna and provides the OSCE Representative on Media Freedom with all relevant information concerning specific cases she has raised with the Ukrainian side.

Thank you, Mr. Chair.