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Ukraine to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General**

I write to inform you of Russia's continued terrorist attacks deliberately targeting civilians and civilian infrastructure in Ukraine.

During the recent few days, Russia launched multiple devastating missile, guided aerial bomb and drone attacks on the Chernihiv, Kharkiv, Odesa, Sumy, Donetsk, Luhansk, Dnipropetrovsk, Zaporizhzhia, Kherson and Mykolaiv regions of Ukraine.

A Russian aerial guided bomb attack on the town of Kurakhove, Pokrovsk raion, Donetsk region, damaged 15 residential buildings and injured at least 16 people, including 2 children. Russia's shelling of the village of Stanislav, Kherson region, killed one civilian. One more civilian was killed in a Russian attack on the village of Rizdvianka, Zaporizhzhia region, using cluster munitions. As a result of Russia's multiple shellings of border territories and settlements in the Sumy region, 11 private houses, three high-rise residential buildings, two farm buildings, two garages, a hospital, trucks and cars were damaged.

In Odesa, Russia hit a high-rise residential building, destroying 18 apartments and killing at least 12 Ukrainians, 5 of them children, including 2 babies under 1 year of age.

These attacks serve as yet more proof of the terrorist nature of the Russian armed forces and their affiliated armed groups listed in your annual report on children and armed conflict as a State actor that attacked schools and hospitals and killed children, in particular through the use of explosive weapons with a wide impact area, including shelling from heavy artillery, multiple-launch rocket systems, missiles and air strikes in populated areas.

Considering the persistent and ongoing nature of such attacks, and recognizing the urgency of immediate intervention, I would be grateful for your personal attention



and full use of all existing instruments within the mandates of the relevant United Nations agencies to address these continued crimes of the Russian Federation against the civilian population and civilian infrastructure in Ukraine.

The crime of aggression, war crimes and crimes against humanity committed by the Russian Federation once again testify to the inadmissibility of inaction with regard to Russia's illegitimate presence in the Security Council.

I would appreciate your kind assistance in having the present letter distributed as a document of the General Assembly, under agenda items 62, 67 and 109, and of the Security Council.

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