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Letter dated 8 September 2020 from the Permanent Representative of Ukraine to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to draw your attention to the most recent sharp escalation of the security situation in certain parts of the Donetsk and Luhansk regions of Ukraine, caused by violations of the ceasefire regime by the Russian armed formations.

The agreement regarding additional measures to strengthen the ceasefire starting from 27 July 2020 was reached by the Trilateral Contact Group on 22 July.

On 6 September, after almost six weeks of relative calm, the Russian proxies resumed deliberate fire at the Ukrainian military positions. These attacks were preceded by numerous threats from the Russian occupation authorities in Donbas to use weapons, and groundless accusations against the Ukrainian side of a breach of the agreed Trilateral Contact Group arrangements.

The Ukrainian side considers such actions by Russian military forces a blatant violation of the Minsk agreements, cynical ignorance of additional measures to strengthen the ceasefire, as well as purposeful steps to destabilize the situation in the temporarily occupied territories in the Donetsk and Luhansk regions of Ukraine.

Ukraine remains devoted to a peaceful resolution of the Russian-Ukrainian armed conflict in Donbas, including through implementation of the Minsk agreements and of the common agreed conclusions of the Normandy Four summit held in Paris on 9 December 2019.

I would appreciate your kind assistance in having the present letter distributed as a document of the Security Council.

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