

Meeting of the High Contracting Parties to the Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons Which May Be Deemed to Be Excessively Injurious or to Have Indiscriminate Effects

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1. We continue to stand united in our condemnation of the illegal, unprovoked and unjustified full-scale military invasion of Ukraine by the Russian Federation, which continues to violate the UN Charter and international law. We support Ukraine in its fight against the aggressor State. We also strongly condemn Russia's continued terror against Ukrainian civilians by attacking the critical infrastructure and residential areas with missiles, MLRS, guided aerial bombs and attack drones leading to significant casualties and destruction.
2. Russia continues to fail to comply with its obligations under the Convention on Certain Conventional Weapons (CCW) and its protocols by using certain weapons against civilians and civilian objects. Since the beginning of the Russian Federation's full-scale invasion of Ukraine, the Russian armed forces have massively and indiscriminately used mines, booby traps, and improvised explosive devices in areas and facilities inhabited or used by civilians causing civilian casualties and suffering. The contamination of explosive remnants of war left by Russia, has resulted in 947 incidents, causing 1,345 deaths and injuries, including 136 children. As of November 2025, approximately 136,952 km² of Ukraine's territory, including 14,000 km² of sea areas are affected by explosive devices and require inspection. This situation poses a significant and long-lasting threat to human life, infrastructure, agriculture, and industry, as well as to the environment of Ukraine.
3. We express our solidarity with Ukraine and we stand by our position of continued support in demining, reconstruction, rebuilding resilient communities and protection of civilians.
4. Compliance with the principles of the UN charter and other obligations under international law, respect for the sovereignty and territorial integrity of states are the basis of international peace and security. The UN member-state and Member of the Security Council

* The present document was submitted after the deadline in order to reflect the most recent information.



– the Russian Federation - blatantly does not adhere to these fundamental principles, and violates international treaties, undermining the international order.

5. We reiterate our demands for Russia to immediately, completely and unconditionally withdraw all of its military forces from the entire territory of Ukraine within its internationally recognized borders and cease its hostilities against Ukraine and comply with the obligations under the CCW and its protocols as well as under international law.

6. Our common goal is to ensure a comprehensive, just and lasting peace for Ukraine and accountability of the Russian Federation for violations of the international treaties, including the CCW and its protocols.
