

**Statement by the Delegation of Ukraine at the Main Committee III on the Revised Draft Outcome Document of the 2026 Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons**  
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**Mr. Chair,**

At the outset, we once again express our appreciation to the President of the Conference, the Bureau and the Secretariat for the circulation of the revised draft outcome document.

We would like to share our views on the revised draft outcome document.

While we positively note the overall improvement of the language across different parts of the text related to the peaceful uses of nuclear energy pillar, we believe that further strengthening is still required in several areas.

In particular, we reiterate our support for paragraphs 42 and 43, which underscore the importance of the IAEA Director General's Seven Indispensable Pillars for ensuring nuclear safety and security during armed conflict, as well as the IAEA Director General's Five Concrete Principles for nuclear safety and security at the Zaporizhzhia Nuclear Power Plant (ZNPP).

At the same time, paragraph 44 remains unchanged and does not adequately reflect the reality of the nuclear safety and security situation in Ukraine. In particular, the paragraph fails to address the root cause of the situation — Russia's ongoing war of aggression against Ukraine, including the illegal seizure and militarization of the Zaporizhzhia Nuclear Power Plant.

In this regard, we stress the crucial importance of ensuring that the draft outcome document clearly states that the ZNPP is a Ukrainian nuclear facility. The document should also call for the immediate withdrawal of Russian military forces and all other unauthorized personnel from the plant and for its return under the full control of the competent regulatory authorities of Ukraine.

We further believe that particular attention should be paid to the importance of the IAEA assistance programme in supporting Ukraine in maintaining nuclear safety and security, including through the continued presence of Agency staff at all Ukrainian nuclear power plants, including the Zaporizhzhia Nuclear Power Plant.

In addition, Russia's war of aggression against Ukraine has created an entirely new and unprecedented dimension of nuclear risks, namely Russia's repeated, deliberate, and large-scale attacks on Ukraine's energy infrastructure, which is important for offsite power supply of nuclear power plants in Ukraine.

We also regret that the draft final document contains no reference to the 40th anniversary of the Chernobyl disaster, commemorated by the international community just two weeks ago, a tragedy that remains a powerful reminder of the critical importance of nuclear safety as an underlining part of the NPT. The Conference should also condemn the Russian drone strike against the New Safe Confinement at the Chernobyl Nuclear Power Plant and underscore the importance of its timely repair and continued functioning in ensuring nuclear safety and security.

**Thank you, Mr. Chair.**