



**Permanent Mission of Ukraine**  
to the International Organizations in Vienna

**Statement by the Delegation of Ukraine  
in response to Pia Kauma, President of the OSCE  
Parliamentary Assembly**

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**Madam Chairperson,**

The Delegation of Ukraine warmly welcomes Pia Kauma, President of the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly, back to the Permanent Council and thanks her for the strong statement in support of Ukraine against the backdrop of the ongoing Russia’s war of aggression.

We appreciate OSCE PA’s longstanding and unwavering support for Ukraine’s sovereignty and territorial integrity within its internationally recognized borders.

We welcome the fact that the OSCE PA’s meaningful response to Russia’s war remains central to the Assembly’s actions.

The recent adoption of the Bucharest Declaration and its Resolution “Security and Geopolitical Challenges in the OSCE Region: Ten Years of Armed Aggression by the Russian Federation against Ukraine” is yet another Assembly’s strong step to support a comprehensive, just and lasting peace for Ukraine and security for the whole world.

The message of the Assembly was clear as ever: “the use of armed force against Ukraine by the Russian Federation in violation of the basic principles of international law – the territorial integrity of States, inviolability of borders, non-use of force or threat of force against the territorial integrity or political independence of States – is a crime of aggression”.

The top priority for the civilized world must remain to stop Russia’s aggression and impunity, and ensure accountability of war criminals.

We believe that the Assembly has all relevant tools, experience and capacities to further contribute to the implementation of these and other key components of the Ukrainian Peace Formula.

In particular, we encourage the OSCE PA to take an active role in facilitating the tracing and return of all forcibly deported Ukrainian children, of thousands of civilian hostages Russia illegally detains, as well as to further promote the establishment of the Special Tribunal for the Crime of Aggression against Ukraine.

We view the activities of the OSCE PA Parliamentary Support Team for Ukraine as one of the valuable platforms to address the challenges and threats stemming from the Russian aggression.

**Madam President,**

I take this opportunity to reiterate the invitation to participate in the Third Parliamentary Summit of the International Crimea Platform co-hosted by Ukraine and Latvia in Riga on 23-24 October 2024.

The liberation of Crimea as well as other temporarily occupied territories of Ukraine is crucial for ending the war, restoring Ukraine's territorial integrity within its internationally recognized borders, and achieving peace and stability in the OSCE region.

The Assembly's continued efforts to support the restoration of the rules-based international order remains of great importance.

Ukraine stands ready to further support the OSCE PA endeavors aimed at achieving peace and security in Europe based on the Helsinki Final Act principles and commitments.

**Thank you, Madam Chairperson.**