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## Statement by Ireland at the 1511th Meeting of the Permanent Council The Russian Federation's ongoing aggression against Ukraine 6 March 2025

Mr Chair,

In addition to the joint statement delivered by Poland, I would like to make the following points in my national capacity.

Ireland's Prime Minister, Taoiseach Micheál Martin, met President of Ukraine, Volodomyr Zelenskyy, last Thursday.

The Taoiseach reiterated Ireland's steadfast support for Ukraine and its people as they continue to defend themselves against Russia's ongoing illegal and brutal aggression.

Yesterday, Ireland's Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade, Simon Harris, announced a further allocation of €100 million to provide non-lethal military support to Ukraine.

This is fully in line with Ireland's ongoing support for Ukraine's right to self-defence under the UN Charter.

Ireland will continue to work with our EU and international partners towards a just, comprehensive and lasting peace on Ukraine's terms, based on respect for the principles of the UN Charter and international law, and with justice and accountability at its heart.

Ireland joins the Chair-in-Office, Finland, in reiterating our calls for the immediate release of OSCE staff members Vadym Golda, Maxim Petrov and Dmytro Shabanov arbitrarily detained in Ukraine and held for almost three years now.

Thank you, Mr. Chair.