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Thank you Mr Chair.

Ireland fully aligns with the EU statement and I would like to add the following in my national capacity.

24 February was a tragic and painful anniversary. On that occasion, Ireland's Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs, Simon Harris emphasised that Russia's unprovoked aggression is an affront to the fundamental principles upon which the OSCE is founded.

He also reiterated Ireland's position that, in any discussions on a peace agreement, Ukraine must determine its own future including the terms, the conditions and the timelines.

There can be nothing about Ukraine, without Ukraine.

Equally, there must be a European voice as Europe's security is directly impacted by Russia's illegal war.

Together with our European Union partners, Ireland will remain steadfast in our solidarity with the people of Ukraine and our determination to ensure that Russia is held to account.

Thank you, Mr Chair.