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Right of Reply of the Delegation of Ukraine to the Statement of the representative of illegal Kremlin Regime

Mr. Chair,

Distinguished participants,

We have asked the floor to exercise our right of reply to the statement of the Russian delegation.

Our Delegation never had an intention to raise political issues, which goes outside the mandate of UNEP. We respect the unique technical nature of UNEP and our common important mission - to save our environment for future generations.

However, the ongoing attempts of the Russian Delegation to politicize our important work require us to response.

We consider the interventions of the Russian Delegation as nothing else but the attempt to spread their false propaganda and lies. As usual, their statements and requests have no legal grounds and are worth nothing.

Again, and again the minions of Kremlin regime try to disturb our extremely important work.

For more than 9 months criminal authorities in Moscow, have been trying to destroy the unique ecosystems of my country. By their actions they are creating the largest environmental crisis in modern history. Even more, this cruel and insane regime tries to threaten the entire global community with the nuclear weapons.

They want us to give up, to forget about our dreams and goals. They are ready to destroy the entire humanity for only one reason - to create their neo-colonial empire.

Hundreds Ukrainian towns and villages have already been razed to the ground by Russian soldiers, many rivers were polluted, entire ecosystems were destroyed. Russian Federation bears responsibility for that.

Their intervention has shown that illegal Kremlin regime as well as its representatives, present in this room, do not care about environment, about nature, about our common future.

They are worried only about politics, about justification of their illegal, unprovoked and unjustified invasion. But it is clear for everybody, there is no place for forced changes of boundaries and imposition of someone vison to sovereign nation in the modern world. Ukraine will never give up.

The last thing I would like to add is that soon Russian regime will collapse. As you can all see, Russian troops are loosing at the battlefield, even Russian citizens are trying to escape from their own country. Entire world knows that Ukraine is fighting for its sovereignty and territorial integrity, for freedom and justice.

Very soon the truth will prevail and all those, who support illegal Kremlin regime will be brought to the justice in the Hague.

Thank you.

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