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**Letter dated 18 April 2025 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the
Permanent Mission of Ukraine to the United Nations addressed to
the Secretary-General**

I am writing to inform you of the ongoing terrorist attacks by the Russian Federation that deliberately target civilians and civilian infrastructure in Ukraine (see annex).

This is how Russia began this Good Friday, 18 April 2025 – with ballistic missiles, cruise missiles and attack drones, targeting the Ukrainian people.

In the city of Sumy, Russia launched attack drones targeting civilian infrastructure. One of the targets was a local bakery – an ordinary business that had served the city for decades. This morning, the bakery had prepared fresh paska. However, at 5 a.m., Russia launched a deadly Shahed drone, damaging the bakery and killing an entrepreneur who had arrived to collect the bread. Another worker was injured.

In the city of Kharkiv, Russia launched a missile attack, killing at least 1 person and injuring over 100 others, including at least 7 children. These were ordinary people – some elderly, some very young. The youngest, Valeriia, is just 2 years old. All they were doing was living their lives in their own country, in their own city – and that alone made them targets for Russia and its missiles. One of the missiles detonated in mid-air over a residential neighbourhood; another struck an industrial



site near a housing area. As a result, dozens of ordinary apartment buildings, a civilian enterprise and vehicles were damaged. One must be an outright scumbag and despise life to carry out such missile strikes on an ordinary city on Good Friday, the eve of Easter.

Russia also launched strikes on the Dnipro, Kyiv, Mykolaiv and Donetsk regions, killing and injuring civilians and damaging civilian infrastructure.

Given the persistent and ongoing nature of such attacks and recognizing the urgent need for immediate intervention, I would appreciate your further personal attention and the full utilization of all available instruments within the mandates of the relevant United Nations agencies to stop the terror and address these continued crimes by the Russian Federation against the civilian population and infrastructure in Ukraine.

The crime of aggression, war crimes and crimes against humanity committed by the Russian Federation further underscore Russia's non-compliance with the United Nations membership criteria set out in Article 4 of the Charter of the United Nations, as well as the inadmissibility of inaction regarding Russia's illegitimate presence in the Security Council.

I should be grateful if you would circulate the present letter and its annex as a document of the General Assembly, under agenda items 24, 62, 67, 80, 110, 132 and 135, and of the Security Council.

(Signed) Khrystyna **Hayovyshyn**
Chargé d'affaires a.i.
Deputy Permanent Representative

Annex to the letter dated 18 April 2025 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Ukraine to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

Consequences of Russia's attack on a local bakery in the city of Sumy (18 April 2025)



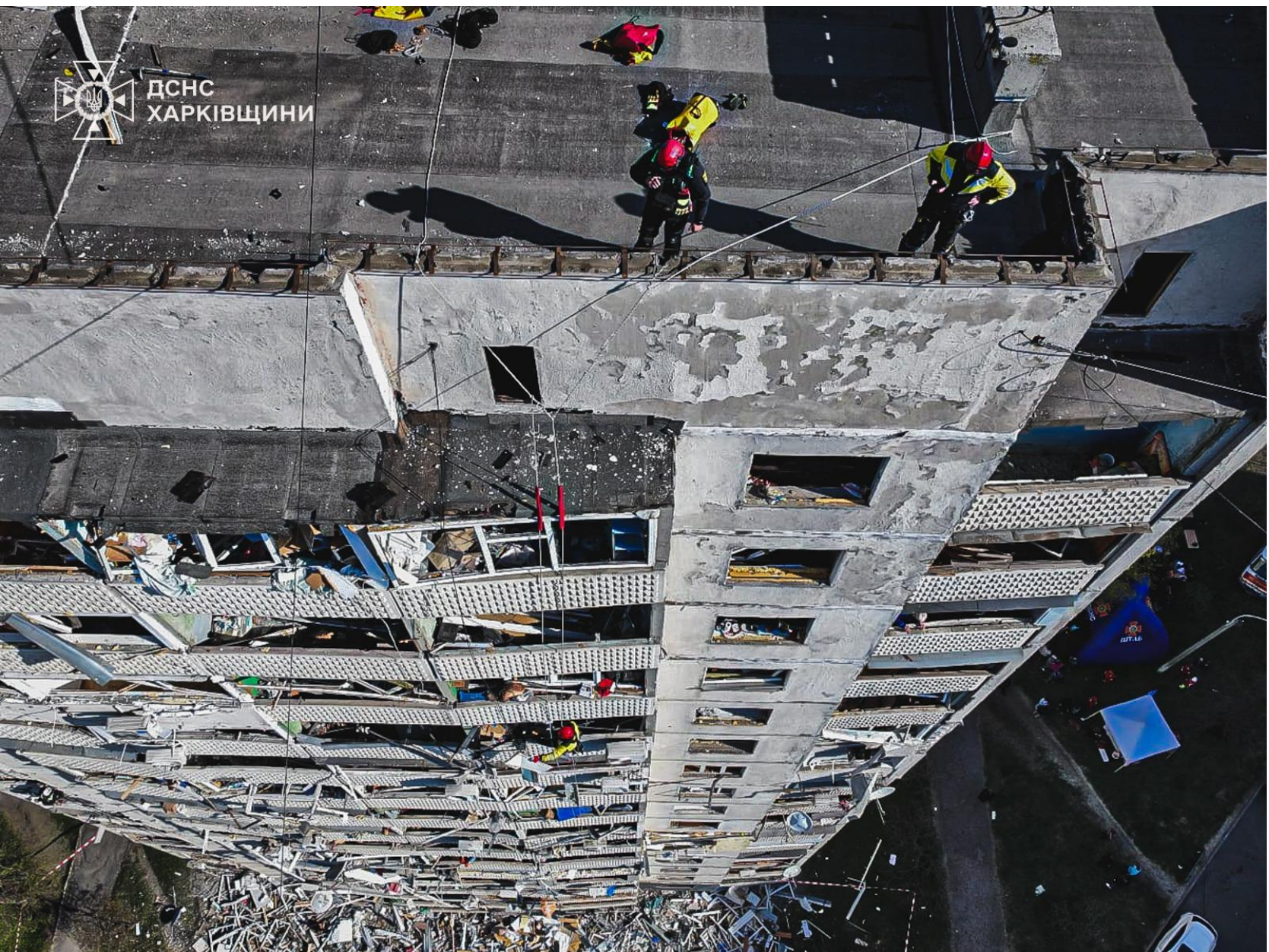




Consequences of Russia's attack on residential areas in the city of Kharkiv (18 April 2025)







Additional photographs and videos are available at the following links:

1. <https://dsns.gov.ua/news/nadzvicaini-podiyi/sumi-vnaslidok-vorozogo-udaru-zaginula-liudina>
2. https://sumy.gp.gov.ua/ua/news.html?_m=publications&_c=view&_t=rec&id=387082
3. <https://dsns.gov.ua/news/nadzvicaini-podiyi/doneccina-dvoje-zagiblix-troje-poranenix-desiatki-poskodzenix-budivel-cerez-obstrili>
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Source: State Emergency Service of Ukraine, Sumy Region Prosecutor's Office.
