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**Letter dated 24 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).

On the night of 24 April 2025, the Russian Federation launched a large-scale, combined attack on residential areas across multiple regions of Ukraine, using 70 missiles, including ballistic ones, and approximately 150 attack drones. The city of Kyiv and the Kyiv region, along with the Zhytomyr, Dnipropetrovsk, Kharkiv, Poltava, Khmelnytskyi, Sumy and Zaporizhzhia regions, came under Russia's massive assault.

In Kyiv, the attack killed at least 12 civilians, including a brother and sister – 21-year-old Nikita and 19-year-old Sofia – and injured more than 90 others, among them at least 6 children and a pregnant woman. Multiple residential buildings across five city districts were damaged or destroyed in the strikes.

As at the evening of 24 April, debris removal operations were still ongoing in Kyiv following the Russian missile strike. The relatives and loved ones of those who may still be trapped under the rubble were present at the rescue operation sites.



Rescuers, emergency services and volunteers will continue working until the fate of every person who may have been affected is known.

According to preliminary information, Russia used a ballistic missile manufactured in North Korea. Relevant special services are currently verifying all details. If confirmed, this would constitute further evidence of the criminal nature of the alliance between Russia and North Korea. They kill people and torment lives together – that is the only meaning behind their cooperation. Russia continuously uses such weapons – missiles, artillery. In return, North Korea got the opportunity to make its weapons more deadly under real wartime conditions.

Given the persistent and ongoing nature of such terrorist 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 62, 67, 80, 110, 132 and 135, and of the Security Council.

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

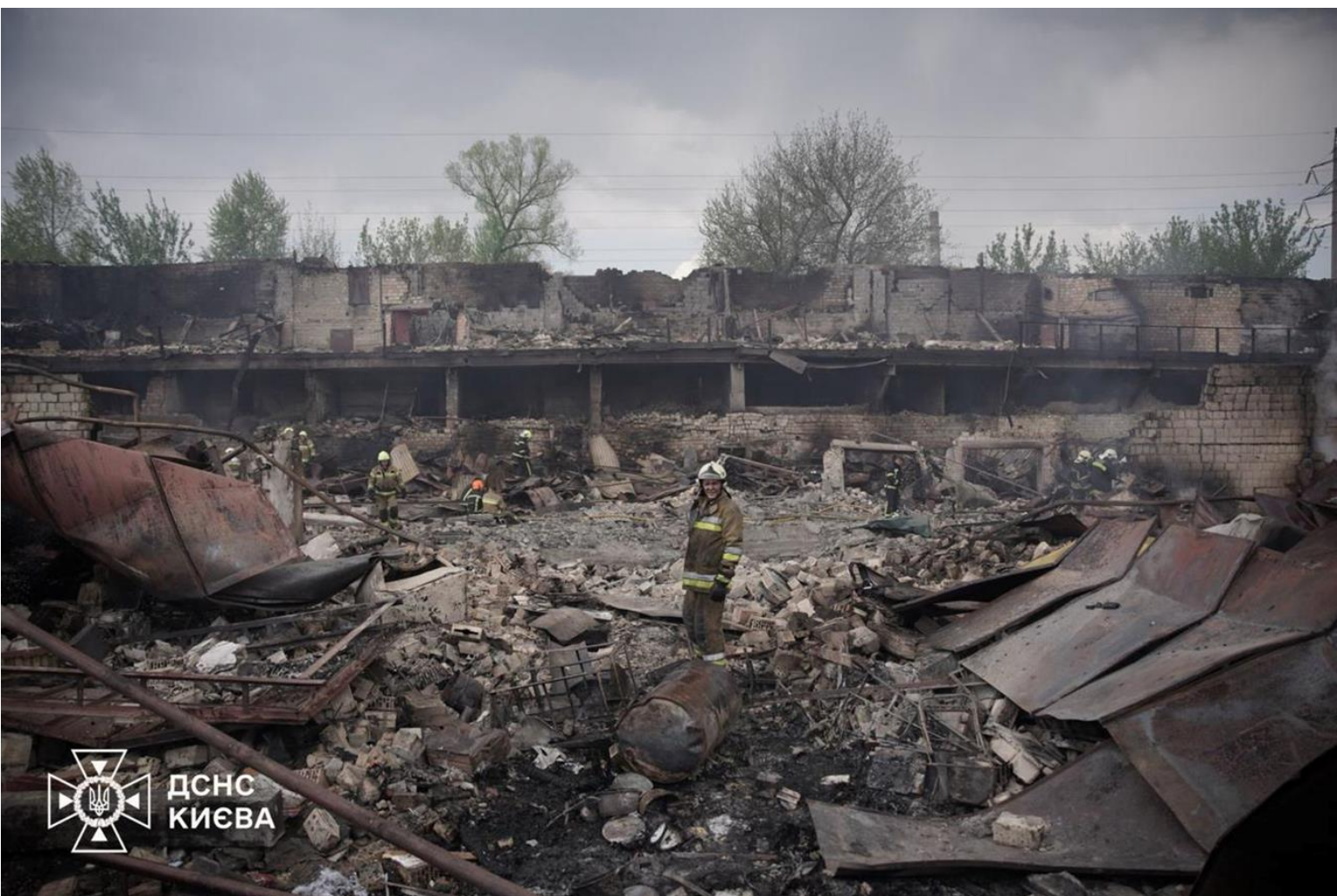
Annex to the letter dated 24 April 2025 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Ukraine to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

Consequences of Russia's large-scale missile and drone attack on civilians in Kyiv (24 April 2025)











An additional photograph is on file with the Secretariat and available for consultation.



Additional photographs and videos are available at the following links:

1. <https://dsns.gov.ua/news/nadzvicaini-podiyi/rosiia-zavdala-masovanogo-kombinovanogo-udaru-po-kijevu>
2. <https://dsns.gov.ua/news/nadzvicaini-podiyi/igor-klimenko-blizko-40-oseredkiv-zaimannia-likvidovuvali-riatuvalniki-dsns-cijeyi-noci-v-9-regionax-krayini>
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8. <https://dsns.gov.ua/news/nadzvicaini-podiyi/do-12-osib-zroslo-kilkist-zagiblix-u-sviatosinskomu-raioni-kijeva>

Source: State Emergency Service of Ukraine.
