

Republic of Poland – statement on Item 2

Madam Acting President,

Poland joins to the community and remember Mr Ni Allotey Odunton and his excellent contribution to the work of the Authority. We express our condolences to the family and loved ones.

In behalf of the Republic of Poland I would like to refer to the recent events that are taking place in Ukraine.

On February 24th the Russian Federation began an unprovoked and unjustified military invasion against an independent and sovereign country.

Poland condemns the Russian aggression on the territory of Ukraine, which violates international law, including the Charter of the United Nations. At the same time, Poland expresses solidarity with Ukraine - with its government and the people who face the aggressor.

The humanitarian situation in Ukraine caused by the Russian aggression is deeply alarming. Every day the fundamental principles of international humanitarian law are violated, while the protection of civilians should remain the priority.

The Republic of Poland calls the Russian Federation to immediately cease hostilities, withdraw its armed forces from the territory of Ukraine and recognize the territorial unity, sovereignty and independence of Ukraine. Poland calls on the international community to intensify efforts to restore peace in Ukraine, in accordance with the resolution of the UN General Assembly of 2nd March this year. Poland also calls Russia for immediate implementation of the order of the International Court of Justice to suspend the military operations in the territory of Ukraine.

Thank you Madam President