

Attempted Illegal Annexation of Parts of Ukrainian Territory

The General Assembly,

PP1 *Recalling* the obligation of all States under Article 2 of the Charter to refrain in their international relations from the threat or use of force against the territorial integrity or political independence of any State, or in any other manner inconsistent with the purposes of the United Nations, and to settle their international disputes by peaceful means in such a manner that international peace and security, and justice, are not endangered,

PP2 *Reaffirming* the customary international law principle, as restated in its resolution 2625 (XXV) of 1970 entitled “Declaration on Principles of International Law concerning Friendly Relations and Co-operation among States in accordance with the Charter of the United Nations,” that no territorial acquisition resulting from the threat or use of force shall be recognized as legal,

PP3 *Recalling* resolution 68/262 entitled “Territorial integrity of Ukraine”,

PP4 *Noting* that Ukraine’s regions of Luhansk, Donetsk, Kherson, and Zaporizhzhia are areas that, in part, are or have been under the temporary military control of the Russian Federation, noting also that the Autonomous Republic of Crimea and the city of Sevastopol have been temporarily occupied by the Russian Federation since 2014, as a result of aggression, in violation of the sovereignty, political independence and territorial integrity of Ukraine,

PP5 *Noting* that the 21 February 2022 and 30 September 2022 decisions by the Russian Federation related to the status of Ukraine’s regions of Luhansk, Donetsk, Kherson, and Zaporizhzhia are a violation of the territorial integrity and sovereignty of Ukraine and inconsistent with the principles of the Charter,

PP6 *Noting with concern* that the illegal so-called referenda were organized on 23 to 27 September 2022 in these regions as attempts to modify Ukraine’s internationally recognized borders,

PP7 *Reiterating* the Secretary-General’s statement of 29 September 2022 in which he recalled that any annexation of a State’s territory by another State resulting from the threat or use of force is a violation of the principles of the UN Charter and international law,

PP8 *Reiterating* the need for the full implementation of resolutions ES-11/1 of 2 March 2022, entitled “Aggression against Ukraine” and ES-11/2 of 24 March 2022 entitled “Humanitarian consequences of the aggression against Ukraine”,

OP1 *Reaffirms* its commitment to the sovereignty, independence, unity and territorial integrity of Ukraine within its internationally recognized borders, extending to its territorial waters;

OP2 *Condemns* the Russian Federation's organization of illegal so-called referenda in regions within Ukraine's internationally recognized borders;

OP3 *Declares* that the Russian Federation's unlawful actions with regards to the illegal so-called referenda taken on 23 to 27 September 2022 in parts of Ukraine's regions of Luhansk, Donetsk, Kherson, and Zaporizhzhia that in part, are or have been under the Russian Federation's temporary military control have no validity under international law and do not form the basis for any alteration of the status of these regions of Ukraine, including any attempted illegal annexation of any of these regions by the Russian Federation;

OP4 *Condemns* the attempted illegal annexation of Ukraine's regions of Luhansk, Donetsk, Kherson, and Zaporizhzhia, following the organization of the above-mentioned referenda;

OP5 *Declares* that the Russian Federation's unlawful actions with regards to the attempted illegal annexation have no validity under international law;

OP6 *Calls upon* all States, international organizations and specialized agencies not to recognize any alteration of the status by the Russian Federation of any or all of Ukraine's regions of Luhansk, Donetsk, Kherson or Zaporizhzhia, and to refrain from any action or dealing that might be interpreted as recognizing any such altered status;

OP7 *Demands* that the Russian Federation immediately and unconditionally reverse its decisions on 21 February 2022 and 30 September 2022 related to the status of certain areas of the Donetsk, Luhansk, Kherson and Zaporizhzhia regions of Ukraine, as they are a violation of the territorial integrity and sovereignty of Ukraine and inconsistent with the principles of the Charter;

OP8 *Demands* that the Russian Federation immediately, completely and unconditionally withdraw all of its military forces from the territory of Ukraine within its internationally recognized borders, which includes those regions addressed by the illegal so-called referenda, to enable peaceful resolution of the conflict between the Russian Federation and Ukraine through political dialogue, negotiations, mediation and other peaceful means;

OP9 *Welcomes* the efforts of the United Nations, including of the United Nations Crisis Coordinator for Ukraine, Member States, and humanitarian organizations to respond to the humanitarian and refugee crisis;

OP10 *Welcomes and expresses its strong support for* the continued efforts by the Secretary-General, and *calls on* Member States and international organizations, including the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe and other international and regional organizations to support the de-escalation of the current situation;

OP11 *Decides* to adjourn the eleventh emergency special session of the General Assembly temporarily and to authorize the President of the General Assembly to resume its meetings upon request from Member States.