

**【Check Against Delivery】**

**STATEMENT BY the delegation of Japan,  
on “Russian Federation’s ongoing aggression against Ukraine”  
Special Permanent Council Meeting, OSCE  
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Thank you, Madam Chair.

Firstly, we would like to thank you for convening this meeting so promptly today.

According to the media reports, Russia launched a large-scale attack on Ukraine between 6 and 7 September. On 7 September, Ukrainian government buildings were directly damaged for the first time as a result of Russian attacks. Russia also attacked a thermal power plant on the same day.

We remain gravely concerned by the tragic loss of life and the suffering caused by attacks on innocent civilians, civilian and critical infrastructure.

As our Ambassador stated at the Special Permanent Council on 25<sup>th</sup> August, it is of the utmost importance to achieve two goals: an early ceasefire and the realization of a just and lasting peace in Ukraine. From this perspective, it is truly regrettable that Russia continues to engage in actions contrary to peace.

Madam Chair,

On 4<sup>th</sup> September, Prime Minister ISHIBA attended “the Virtual Leaders Meeting of the Coalition of the Willing on Ukraine” which was hosted by the Governments of the United Kingdom and France.

In the meeting, the Prime Minister emphasized that it is extremely important for the United States, Ukraine, and other countries to be united in confronting Russia throughout a series of meetings in August. He further stressed that the security of Europe and East Asia is inseparable.

In addition, the Prime Minister stated that now is precisely the time for like-minded countries to stand united together and focus their efforts on drawing a constructive response from Russia.

Madam Chair,

Japan remains determined to continue working closely with the international community to achieve Ukraine’s goals. On 22 and 23 October of this year, Japan,

in cooperation with Ukraine, will host the “Ukraine Mine Action Conference” in Tokyo as an opportunity to finalise cooperation on mine action efforts.

Ukraine is working tirelessly to remove landmines and unexploded ordnance that have contaminated its precious territory.

Japan will continue to make every effort to promote Ukraine's economic growth and reconstruction, in close cooperation with international communities as well as the private sector, with a view to achieving its medium- to long-term recovery.

We continue to stand with the people of Ukraine.

I thank you.