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**Item 10**

**Interactive Dialogue on HC oral update on Ukraine**

**Statement by the Republic of Slovenia**

Mr President,

Slovenia would like to thank Ms. Deputy High Commissioner for her comprehensive update on the situation in Ukraine.

Slovenia reiterates its continued support for the sovereignty and territorial integrity of Ukraine.

We are worried over the latest findings of the 19th report of the OHCHR Human Rights Monitoring Mission in Ukraine.

Slovenia is deeply concerned over the various reports of grave human rights violations in Crimean peninsula. We are also concerned over the continuation of armed hostilities, human rights abuses and deteriorating humanitarian situation in Donetsk and Luhansk regions. Our concern is particularly strong when it comes to the vulnerable groups, especially children and elderly, as well as about violations of the rights of persons belonging to national minorities.

We reiterate our call for full implementation of the Minsk Agreements and we also call on the concerned parties to ensure the implementation of the relevant recommendations of the UN human rights treaty bodies.

Slovenia calls once more for full, free and unrestricted access to international human rights actors to the illegally annexed Crimean peninsula and to Donetsk and Luhansk regions and will continue to express concern about the human rights situation in those areas.

Thank you.