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Response to Agenda Item on Ukraine

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The United States remains committed to advancing peace and security throughout Europe and Eurasia. The most urgent challenge to peace and security in the OSCE region is the Russia-Ukraine war. The devastating effects of this war on civilians and critical infrastructure are unacceptable.

Direct talks between Russia and Ukraine have led to successful prisoner exchanges, and Ukraine continues to demonstrate its willingness to negotiate in good faith and to accept an unconditional ceasefire. Unfortunately, thus far Russia has not shown the same willingness to move toward the path to peace.

To support Ukraine in defending its people, the United States is moving forward with plans to sell advanced U.S. weapons to NATO Allies who will provide them to Ukraine.

Russia must accept a comprehensive ceasefire that leads to an enduring peace.

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