STATEMENT FROM AUSTRALIA ON RUSSIA’S ACTIONS IN UKRAINE

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1. Australia condemns Russia's unilateral, illegal and immoral aggression against the people of Ukraine. The invasion is a gross violation of international law, including the Charter of the United Nations. Russia has committed egregious war crimes across Ukraine.

2. Australia strongly supports Ukraine's sovereignty and territorial integrity. We call on Russia to immediately withdraw its forces from Ukrainian territory, consistent with the legally binding decision of the International Court of Justice (16 March).

3. We support ongoing peace talks and all efforts to cease hostilities and end the war.