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**Item 3 – ID with the Special Representative of the Secretary General
on Children in Armed Conflicts**

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Mr. President,

Israel takes note of the report by the special representative of the Secretary General on Children in Armed Conflict and of the work that has been done in the past years to fulfill this mandate.

The State of Israel is unfortunately very familiar with the impact of armed conflicts and terror on children's physical and mental health among other aspects of their lives. The National Insurance Institute of Israel has in place a robust mechanisms for mental supports to victims and family of victims of terror. The psychological support is provided without fee and is adapted to children and families.

Mr. President,

Unfortunately, children are always among the most affected by armed conflict. The situations these days for the children of Ukraine is no different.

In its tireless effort to rescue children stranded in war-torn Ukraine, Israel has facilitated the transfer of children and families to border countries such as Romania, Moldova and Poland, including buses of children arriving from orphanages.

Israel has been preparing to absorb tens of thousands of Ukrainians escaping from the war, Jews and non-Jews, and attending to all their needs during this difficult time.

Furthermore, The Ministry of Education has already announced that after the difficult conditions these children have to go through it plans to prepare for the absorption of thousands of pupils, who will join Israel's education system.

I thank you.