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Mr President,
Excellencies,
Distinguished Delegates,

The Sovereign Order of Malta thanks the Secretary General for his report.

His conclusions raise a fundamental aspect of this ongoing conflict: the necessity for all parties engaged to fully respect human rights laws and international humanitarian law. In the perspective of a post conflict period, it is an indispensable condition for rebuilding confidence and trust among the parties, especially after the immense suffering the concerned populations must have endured.

As an independent and neutral humanitarian actor we urge once more all parties to respect IHL principles. To this end all efforts undertaken by the United Nations, by specialised Organs, be it for instance the OHCHR or the IAEA, must be strongly supported.

Present in Ukraine since more than thirty-five years the Order of Malta has developed since 2022 its largest emergency response program since World War II, with over four million people receiving shelter, food assistance, medicines and prosthetic services, with psychological and rehabilitation support for thousands of minors and veterans.

This effort will be pursued as long as necessary.