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I have the honour to enclose herewith a statement of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Ukraine on the decision of the Supreme Court of the Russian Federation in the case of Ukrainian citizen Pavlo Hryb (see annex).

I would appreciate your kind assistance in having the present letter and its annex circulated as a document of the General Assembly, under agenda item 74 (c), and of the Security Council.

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Statement of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Ukraine on the decision of the Supreme Court of the Russian Federation in the case of Ukrainian citizen Pavlo Hryb

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Ukraine expresses its resolute protest to the Russian Federation in connection with the unlawful decision of the Military Collegium of the Supreme Court of the Russian Federation in the case of Ukrainian citizen Pavlo Hryb.

The Russian court has brazenly rejected the arguments of Pavlo's lawyers regarding the lack of evidence of his alleged 'crimes'. The court continues to make false accusations of 'terrorist activity', which will result in this young man being sent to a penal colony for six years.

The so-called 'justice' handed down by the Russian court, as well as the judgments made against many other falsely convicted Ukrainian citizens in Russia, is a clear evidence to the world of the total lack of justice and fairness that exists within the Russian legal system.

We call on the international community to condemn the illegal decision of the Russian court regarding Ukrainian citizen Pavlo Hryb and we continue to demand the unconditional release of all Ukrainian citizens who are being illegally held by this Kremlin regime on the territory of Russia and in the occupied Ukrainian Crimea.

Kyiv, 23 July 2019

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