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Statement of the Russian Foreign Ministry in connection with the destruction of the Kakhovskaya hydroelectric power station by the Ukrainian armed forces

We strongly condemn the destruction by the armed forces of Ukraine of the Kakhovka hydroelectric power station, which led to a large-scale humanitarian and environmental catastrophe.

Undermining the dam's dam caused a significant rise in the water level downstream of the Dnieper. Settlements are flooded, thousands of people need to be evacuated. It has already begun. Enormous damage from this sabotage of the Kyiv regime was inflicted on the agriculture of the region and the ecosystem of the mouth of the Dnieper. As a result of the inevitable shallowing of the Kakhovka reservoir, water supply to the Crimea will be hindered, and the reclamation of agricultural lands in the Kherson region will be disrupted.

What happened is a terrorist act directed against the infrastructure of a purely civilian purpose. It was planned in advance and purposefully by the Kyiv regime for military purposes as part of the so-called “counteroffensive” of the Armed Forces of Ukraine. The Kiev regime not only subjected the Kakhovka hydroelectric power station to massive shelling, but also deliberately brought the water level in the Kakhovka reservoir to a critical level, opening the floodgates of the Dnieper hydroelectric power station.

The Investigative Committee of Russia opened a criminal case on the fact of committing a terrorist act that caused significant property damage and other grave consequences.

The Russian side initiates the consideration of this crime of the Kyiv regime in the UN Security Council, the statutory and decision-making bodies of the OSCE and other international organizations. We call on the world community to condemn the criminal acts of the Ukrainian authorities, which are increasingly inhuman and pose a serious threat to regional and global security.



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