

Mr. Moderator,

I would like to use the right of reply to the insinuations presented today by the distinguished Russian delegation, which while mentioning different OSCE countries forgot to mention one country, where aggressive nationalism and neo-nazism is booming with the support of officials – namely Russian Federation. Therefore time after time when Russian Federation enters in different international fora in rhetorical deliberations on the issue of aggressive nationalism we are getting the feeling that this sort of diplomacy is nothing less than desperate attempt to mask [also with the help of state controlled media] blooming manifestations of a very large scale far-right extremism and aggressive nationalism in Russia itself, where aggressive slogans were converted to violent [and even deadly] actions. This [state supported] aggressive nationalism's and separatism's policy is actively spreading through Russian borders and affecting neighbouring countries. Even today we heard the elements of aggressive nationalism in the intervention of distinguished Russia delegate, who openly called for separatism in the east of Ukraine, blatantly questioning Helsinki Final Act.

In such circumstances, we need to ask ourselves, will we be idle when the OSCE fundamental principles are openly questioned and the very basis on which this Organization is build is put in question.

I thank you, Mr. Moderator.