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Excellencies,

Ladies and gentlemen,

Today, we gather to discuss the significant task of recovery and reconstruction that lies ahead for Ukraine.

My organization, the UN Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE), has supported Ukraine starting shortly after the onset of the war. We are a technical organization that develops norms, standards, legal instruments and guidelines that promote the achievement of the UN Sustainable Development Goals.

We collaborate with various stakeholders and contribute to the creation of platforms for action that advance change and mobilise resources.

The reconstruction of the country towards a green economy – one that is inclusive, low-carbon and resilient – requires a **conducive legal and regulatory framework for infrastructure** while addressing the immediate needs of the energy sector. Let me give a few examples of our activities to advance these goals:

- i. The **Platform for Action on Green Recovery** that we launched yesterday with OECD and UNEP will support actions to prioritise and accelerate reform of policies and legislation, practices and institutions.
- ii. Our Public-Private Partnership Infrastructure Evaluation and Rating System methodology called "PIERS" -, can help Ukraine mobilize essential resources for financing green reconstruction, in critical areas such as railways, roads and renewable energy.



- iii. Through our **UN4UkrainianCities project**, generously funded by Germany, we are formulating pilot projects for the restoration of Kharkiv and Mykolaiv and supporting the Ministry of Restoration in updating the national housing policy framework along with efforts involve the public for sustainable urban development.
- iv. We have provided already a year ago a first roadmap for reconstructing the energy sector with carbon-neutrality in mind.

UNECE remains steadfast in its commitment to supporting a sustainable recovery and reconstruction in Ukraine.

We will continue our efforts and stand ready to expand them in cooperation with all interested partners.

Thank you.			