

## **National statement – Poland**

### **Intergovernmental Committee on Intellectual Property and Genetic Resources, Traditional Knowledge and Folklore (IGC)**

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Chair, Distinguished Heads of Delegations, Your Excellencies,

1. Poland supports the statement delivered on behalf of 26 EU Member States as well as Members of the CEBS group. We also align with national statements made before ours in support of Ukraine.
2. Poland reiterates its full support and solidarity with Ukraine and the Ukrainian people, and calls for its sovereignty and territorial integrity within its internationally recognized borders.
3. Poland strongly condemns Russia's unprovoked and unjustified aggression against Ukraine, the dramatic consequences of which are seen every single day of this lasting over three years war. Russia's full scale invasion of Ukraine spared no civilians, including women, children and most vulnerable ones, such as people in hospitals. Rebuilding and reconstruction of the Ukrainian civilian infrastructure destroyed by Russia's aggressive invasion will take decades and will necessitate significant resources. Given the severe negative impact of Russia's lasting full-scale invasion against Ukraine on the Ukrainian IP ecosystem, WIPO's assistance remains indispensable and needed as never before.
4. For Poland business as usual with Russia in the framework of the international cooperation will not be possible without Russia and its leadership being held fully accountable for waging this aggressive war and for all serious crimes committed under the international law. Russia must be held fully responsible for massive amount of damage caused by this war.
5. Poland demands on Russia to immediately stop its invasion of Ukraine, withdraw its troops from the whole territory and cease violation of international law. At the same time, we recognize Ukraine's right to be part of the international negotiations, which is a prerequisite for achieving a durable and long lasting peace. Poland stands with Ukraine.

Thank you.