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3 The Council of the Alliance of Liberals and Democrats for Europe (ALDE) Party
4 convening in Bucharest, Romania on 20-21 October 2023:

5 **Recalling:**

- 6 • the ALDE Party resolution 'Justice, rehabilitation, and compensation for the
7 victims of wartime sexual violence in Ukraine', adopted in December 2022;
- 8 • the ALDE Party resolution 'Dignity and Support for Survivors of Sexual Violence
9 in the Russian War against Ukraine', adopted in May 2023.

10 **Notes that:**

- 11 • [as of September 1](#), Prosecutor General's Office of Ukraine has recorded 231 facts
12 of conflict-related sexual violence (CRSV): among victims are 82 men and 13
13 minors. CRSV remains a problem of high magnitude and requires reparations,
14 medical, and psychosocial support for survivors;
- 15 • it is a welcome fact that the International Centre for the Prosecution of the
16 Crime of Aggression against Ukraine (ICPA) began operations on July 3, 2023,
17 because CRSV would not happen without a crime of aggression first, but its
18 survivors need more urgent help;
- 19 • the Ukrainian parliament and government are developing legislation, projects,
20 and funds to help survivors of CRSV, but they need European resources to be most
21 effective.

22 **Believes that:**

- 23 • criminal jurisdictions that have recognised the principle of universal criminal
24 responsibility for international crimes must prosecute CRSV as a war crime and a
25 crime against humanity;
- 26 • the Special Tribunal should be established as the mechanism of prosecuting the
27 crime of aggression against Ukraine.

28 **Calls for the ALDE member parties and member states to:**

- 29 • collaborate with Ukraine's government and civil society to urgently establish
30 and finance programs for reparations and comprehensive support for survivors of
31 sexual violence in the Russian genocidal war against Ukraine;
- 32 • to facilitate the return of Ukrainian people from Russian captivity, under which
33 they suffer from CRSV, and to support weapons and resources provision for the
34 liberation of the occupied territories of Ukraine.