

PERMANENT MISSION OF THE REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA TO THE UNITED NATIONS

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The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Moldova to the United Nations presents its compliments to the Office of Legal Affairs of the United Nations and with reference to the Note Verbale LA/COD/4 of 20 June 2022 and General Assembly Resolution 75/139 of 15 December 2020 entitled "Consideration of effective measures to enhance the protection, security and safety of diplomatic and consular missions and representatives" has the honour to enclose herewith the response of Moldovan authorities to the above-mentioned subject.

The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Moldova to the United Nations avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Office of Legal Affairs of the United Nations the assurances of its highest consideration.

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In summer 2020 (1 June 2020, 4 June 2020, 18 June 2020 and 16 August 2020), information was received that the premises of the Russian Federation Embassy in Chisinau had been mined. In all cases, Moldovan competent authorities promptly undertook all the required measures. The specialized services, upon verification of the adjacent territory, without accessing the premises of the Embassy, did not identify any suspicious or explosive objects. Following further investigations by competent authorities it was established that the threats were false. The criminal cases initiated on the stated facts are currently closed. The materials provided have not been sufficient to identify the perpetrators.

On 11 August 2020, a team of the Ministry of Interior was deployed on site for inspections, following a call received by the National Service for Emergency Calls 112 reporting a fire at the Embassy of the Russian Federation in Chisinau. As the report of the fire was not confirmed, the examination of this case was suspended.

Since 24 February 2022, the General Inspectorate of Carabineers has increased the security and public order measures for all foreign diplomatic missions based in Chisinau. A special protection regime has been set up for the Embassy of the Russian Federation due to the increased number of demonstrations organized by different civic movements and associations. As a measure of security, the Carabineers maintain permanent contact with the designated representative of the Embassy of the Russian Federation in order to coordinate the safe access of diplomatic personnel and transport to the Embassy's premises. On the incidents occurred during the demonstrations, contravention measures have been applied.

The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Moldova would like to assure that the Moldovan authorities are committed and take all appropriate measures to ensure the protection, security and safety of all diplomatic and consular missions and representatives, including measures of a preventive nature, complying with the applicable rules of international law.

The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Moldova to the United Nations kindly requests the inclusion of the above-mentioned information in the next report of the Secretary-General under the agenda item "Consideration of effective measures to enhance the protection, security and safety of diplomatic and consular missions and representatives".