authorities. Needless to say that such incitement and radicalization provides the most fertile soil for the virulent seeds of extremism and terrorism.

The situation in our region is a case in point. Amidst the outbreak of an unprecedented global pandemic, Azerbaijan, with the support and encouragement of Turkey, is conducting large-scale acts of military aggression with a clear genocidal intent, leading to the most intense and destructive escalation in the region since 1990s. Today, the lives of thousands of civilians and the ancient Armenian heritage of Nagorno-Karabakh have come under imminent existential threat, as indiscriminate attacks with extensive use of heavy artillery, drones and even prohibited weapons are being conducted in flagrant violation of the international law, including international humanitarian law.

The scope and the nature of the attacks, as well as the available factual evidence unequivocally demonstrates that the offensive was indeed, premeditated and planned well in advance. Over the past few weeks, the inte