

United States Mission to the OSCE

Right of Reply Closing Reinforced Plenary Session

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The Russian Federation made yet another effort to blame Ukraine for the Russian Federation's military intervention in that country. The absurdity of this claim is matched only by the Russian Delegation's claim that the Munich agreement was responsible for WWII and in effect that the Molotov-Ribbentrop Pact to military divide our host country and other states was not. Facts are stubborn things. We urge the Russian Federation to face up to them. If its calls for dialogue are to have any meaning, we need to start with the truth.