



**The position paper of the National Union "National Youth Council of Ukraine"
according to "UN Security Council Resolution 2250 and 2419 on Youth, Peace and Security"
Adopted by the Extraordinary General Assembly of the NYC Ukraine on the 6-8th September 2018.**

The National Youth Council of Ukraine appeals to the President of Ukraine, the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine, the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine and UN agencies in Ukraine with the requirement to develop National Action Plan for the implementation of resolutions 2250 and 2419 in Ukraine in accordance with the integrated youth approach to the implementation of the goals of sustainable development 2030.

According to the UN Charter, responsibility for implementing the decisions of the Security Council lies on the national governments of the United Nations, while in accordance with Resolutions 2250 and 2419, young people must participate in the implementation of these documents in cooperation with the governments of their countries. Ukraine is one of the founding members of the UN, during the period of independence Ukraine twice had the status of a non-permanent member of the UN Security Council. Moreover Ukraine held the presidency of the UN Security Council in the beginning of 2017, defining the priority issues for discussion.

Resolutions 2250 and 2419 are aimed primarily to protect the rights of young people, especially those who suffer from armed conflict, or are at risk. According to the documents, the age of youth it applies is from 18 to 29 years old, however, the resolutions respect the national legislation of the member states of the UN, therefore it considers that the age of youth in Ukraine, according to the Law of Ukraine "On Promotion of Social Development of Youth in Ukraine" is defined as the age from 14 to 35 years.

The National Youth Council of Ukraine insists that a broad public discussion with the participation of youth representatives should be held within the framework of the formation of an effective National Action Plan for the implementation of resolutions, as well as joint measures for the implementation of these documents in partnership with the youth must be undertaken. The National Youth Council of Ukraine recommends to present the results of the joint implementation of the resolutions and its proposals and recommendations to the report of the UN Secretary-General on implementation of resolutions scheduled for May 2020.

Both resolutions call for special attention to be paid to the protection of the rights of young people who may be violated in an armed conflict and to increase the participation of young people at all levels in building peace in society, as well as preventing and resolving conflicts.

Appendix: The text of UN Security Council resolutions 2250 and 2419