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Subject: Ukrainian children forcibly transferred and deported by Russia

In the context of the Russia's war of aggression against Ukraine, tens of thousands of Ukrainian children have been forcibly transferred and deported to Russia and Belarus or are being held in temporarily occupied Ukrainian territories, according to several international bodies, including the International Criminal Court. However, the exact numbers remain difficult to establish.

On the basis of these findings:

1. What measures is the Commission taking to facilitate the return of the children, beyond its participation in the International Coalition for the Return of Ukrainian Children and the hosting of a summit aimed at mobilising international action?

2. In what way does the Commission support the Ukrainian authorities, as well as international and non-governmental organisations, in their efforts to document the children?

3. In the light of statements made by the President of the Commission that the return of these children should form an integral part of any peace agreement, as well as the request made in this regard by the European Parliament, how does the Commission intend to concretely ensure the inclusion of this issue in future peace processes?

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