

## **Statement by the Russian Federation on the Note of Ukraine regarding National Inventory of the Russian Federation for the years 1990-2014**

The declaration of independence of the Autonomous Republic of Crimea and Crimea's joining the Russian Federation constitute modes of implementing one of the fundamental UN principles - the principle of equal rights and self-determination by peoples and fully correspond to the "Declaration on Principles of International Law concerning Friendly Relations and Co-operation among States in accordance with the Charter of the United Nations" (1970) according to which the "the establishment of a sovereign and independent State, the free association or integration with an independent State or the emergence into any other political status freely determined by a people constitute modes of implementing the right of self-determination by that people".

Ensuing from the implementation of the right to self-determination by the people of Crimea, the Republic of Crimea and the Federal City of Sevastopol are now subjected to the sovereignty of the Russian Federation after they became constituent entities of the Russian Federation with the adaptation of the Federal Constitutional Law of the Russian Federation (March, 21 2014) "On the Accession of the Republic of Crimea to the Russian Federation and the Establishment of New Constituent Entities within the Russian Federation - the Republic of Crimea and the Federal City of Sevastopol".