



**REPUBLIC OF CYPRUS**  
**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**



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**RESOLUTION OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

***The House of Representatives,***

- *Having regard to* the United Nations Charter and the basic principles of international law, the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights and the Council of Europe Convention for the Protection of Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms,
- *Taking into account* the Helsinki Final Act (1<sup>st</sup> August 1975),
- *Having regard to* the Minsk Memorandum of 19 September 2014, the package of measures for the implementation of the Minsk Agreements, which was approved and signed in Minsk on 12 February 2015 and ratified in its entirety by the UN Security Council Resolution 2202 of 17 February 2015,
- *Noting that* more than six years have passed since the adoption of the Minsk agreements,
- *Taking into account* the systematic and gradual increase in the deployment of military means in the region by all parties involved,
- *Having regard to* the findings of the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly's fact-finding visits to eastern Ukraine, which describe the human rights situation in the region as dramatic,
- *Deploring* the continuing bloodshed, the loss of more than fourteen thousand people and the one and a half million displaced since the beginning of the conflict in 2014, and expressing particular concern for the safety of the 100 thousand Greek diaspora of Mariupol,

***Unanimously resolves as follows:***

1. Condemns the Russian invasion of Ukraine and calls for an immediate ceasefire and the withdrawal of Russian troops from Ukrainian territory.
2. Supports the sovereignty, independence and territorial integrity of Ukraine within its internationally recognized borders and stands firm, as a matter of principle, for the respect of international law and the independence, sovereignty and territorial integrity of all states.
3. Stresses that the action of the Russian Federation to recognize the Donetsk and

Luhansk regions as sovereign and independent, constitutes a violation of the principle of the territorial integrity of states and a withdrawal from the Minsk Agreements and emphasizes that respect for the independence and territorial integrity of states and non-interference in states' internal affairs is the cornerstone of peremptory norms of international law (jus cogens).

4. Stresses that the continuing and systematic violation of human rights in these areas, wherever that may come from, constitutes a substantial violation of the Minsk package of measures.
5. Expresses its concern that the intense militarization and geopolitical confrontation that is developing in the region, poses a substantial threat to security and peace in Europe and internationally.
6. Stresses the imperative need to return to dialogue within the framework of the Minsk Agreements, but also to take additional diplomatic initiatives, which could lead to de-escalation of tensions and the peaceful settlement of the crisis in Ukraine.
7. Condemns the provocative and hypocritical attitude of Turkey to "condemn" the illegal and unilateral declaration of independence of the breakaway territories of Donetsk and Luhansk from the Russian Federation, when Turkey itself recognized the illegal declaration of the occupied territories of the Republic of Cyprus as a so-called independent state.
8. Calls on the European Union to show consistency and to consequently maintain the same stance as it has shown towards the Russian Federation, also towards Turkey for the 47-year-long occupation of 36.7% of the Republic of Cyprus and the promotion of illegal faits accomplis which aim at further expanding illegal settlement in the fenced area of Famagusta.
9. Calls on the international community to abandon the policy of double standards and the selective invocation of international law, which undermines international legitimacy and allows the so-called law of might to prevail. At the same time, it calls on the international community to end its selective sensitivity to international problems and to take substantive actions against the escalating provocations of the occupant Turkey to the detriment of the Republic of Cyprus.
10. Reaffirms its readiness to assist, in the context of parliamentary diplomacy, in international efforts to return to negotiations, with the aim to restore stability and to achieve lasting peace and security in Ukraine and, consequently, in the European continent.