



SEIMAS OF THE REPUBLIC OF LITHUANIA

RESOLUTION ON ACTIVE MEASURES TO ENSURE THE SECURITY OF THE CIVILIAN POPULATION AND CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE IN UKRAINE

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The Seimas of the Republic of Lithuania,
shocked by the civilian casualties and the humanitarian catastrophe in Ukrainian cities under siege by the Russian army,
having regard to the request of the President of Ukraine of 28 February 2022 to declare Ukrainian airspace a no-fly zone,
welcoming the United Nations General Assembly resolution of 2 March 2022 regarding Aggression against Ukraine,
stressing that the sanctions imposed will hurt but not stop the Kremlin regime, and that the West must therefore be ready to stand firm against Russia's aggression,
appreciating the severe sanctions imposed by the Member States of the European Union (hereinafter: the 'EU') and other Western countries on the Russian Federation for its military aggression against Ukraine, as well as the financial and military support provided to Ukraine,
expressing its support for the granting of EU candidate status to Ukraine,
condemns the large-scale military invasion, crimes against humanity and war crimes being perpetrated by the Russian Federation, with the complicity of the Republic of Belarus, against the sovereign Ukraine and its people, when the unprecedented bombardment of cities with millions of inhabitants by ballistic and cruise missiles, bomber air strikes and heavy artillery is carried out;
expresses its support for Ukraine's defenders and its citizens in Ukraine's struggle against the Russian Federation, which has launched the unprovoked aggression and the illegal war, and expresses its full support for Ukraine as it fights for its freedom, sovereignty and territorial integrity;
calls upon the United Nations to take immediate action to ensure a no-fly zone over Ukraine in order to avoid heavy civilian casualties;
calls on the parliaments of democratic states to push, while the technical means to ensure a no-fly zone are being developed, for the opening of humanitarian corridors on Ukrainian

territory, in particular through the United Nations measures or by establishing a coalition of states willing and able to contribute to this, to allow civilians' safe passage out of the zones of military actions and the territories unlawfully occupied and controlled by the Russian Federation and to protect humanitarian convoys, as well as for the declaration of a no-fly zone in the skies over these territories and over Ukraine's nuclear power plants and nuclear waste storage facilities;

notes that the declaration of a no-fly zone would pave the way to undertake active measures enabling United Nations peacekeepers to ensure the security of humanitarian corridors as well as the security of Ukraine's nuclear power plants and nuclear waste storage facilities;

calls upon democratic states to supply arms to Ukraine, giving priority to air defence systems that can help save civilian lives;

invites the parliaments of democratic states to urge their governments to announce additional sanctions against the Russian Federation and the Republic of Belarus that contributes to the military actions of the Russian Federation in Ukraine;

calls upon democratic states to immediately and in a coordinated manner close their airspace and ports for aircraft and vessels of the Russian Federation;

calls upon the EU Member States to ensure that secondary sanctions are imposed on states, natural and legal persons attempting to circumvent EU sanctions;

calls upon the EU Member States and members of their parliaments to mobilise their full political support for Ukraine and to enable the EU institutions to take action with a view to granting Ukraine EU candidate status and commencing the negotiation process without delay.

Speaker of the Seimas

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