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(ПА ОБСЄ)



THE PERMANENT DELEGATION OF THE
VERKHOVNA RADA OF UKRAINE
AT THE PARLIAMENTARY ASSEMBLY OF
THE ORGANIZATION FOR SECURITY AND
COOPERATION IN EUROPE
(OSCE PA)

**To attention of the national delegations of the
OSCE Parliamentary Assembly Member States
and Leadership of the OSCE Parliamentary
Assembly**

Dear colleagues!

We would like to inform you that on 6 February 2023 the Verkhovna Rada (Parliament) of Ukraine has adopted by the constitutional majority the Address of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine to the Parliamentary Assembly of the Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe (OSCE PA) and the parliaments of its member states regarding the unacceptability of the participation of members of the Parliament of the Russian Federation in the work of the Assembly's statutory bodies (attached).

In our Address, **we would like to stress** on the unwavering position of Ukraine regarding the implementation and observance of the norms and principles of international law, OSCE principles and commitment, including the provisions of the Helsinki Final Act of 1975 and the Paris Charter for a New Europe.

The State Duma of the Russian Federation is not legitimate following the preparation for and conduct of illegal elections in 2021 in gross violation of OSCE principles and commitments, norms of international law and Ukrainian national legislation, as stated by the Ukrainian Parliament in its Resolution 1773-IX of September 22, 2021. Therefore, the Ukrainian Parliament is not in a position to maintain the interparliamentary dialogue with the representatives of the parliament of the terrorist state Russia Federation, as well as with representatives of the parliaments of the member countries who support such policy of ignoring the goals of the OSCE and supporting the war of aggression against Ukraine until the international legal order is effectively restored.

In this regard, we would like to call on you

- to refrain from joint work with representatives of the Russian Federation and the Republic of Belarus in the Assembly within the framework of the Organization,

- to support the amendments to the Rules of procedure concerning a suspension mechanism for the members of the delegations of countries violating OSCE principles and commitments, as well as further reforms, including a voting mechanism of two-thirds,
- to appeal your Governments with a request to apply travel restrictions to the deputies of the parliaments of the Russian Federation and the Republic of Belarus, who are under the sanctions of the European Union and other OSCE participating States;
- to appeal your Parliaments to condemn the terrorist actions of the Russian Federation aimed at destroying the Ukrainian State and recognize the criminal actions of the Russian Federation on the territory of Ukraine as genocide of the Ukrainian people as well as to recognize Russia as a terrorist state;
- to support legislative norms that would allow to settle the issue of confiscation of frozen financial and other assets of the Russian Federation and its citizens for their further transfer to Ukraine as compensation for the damage caused by Russian aggression;
- to appeal your Governments to increase sanctions pressure in order to stop the war and the global world crisis created by the terrorist state, and to restore an international legal order based on mutual respect and cooperation, not on nuclear threats or any other threats of the use of power;
- to appeal your Governments to increase economic, financial and security assistance to Ukraine, which will contribute to the victory of the Ukrainian State and to support the initiative of the Peace Formula as presented by President Zelenskyy.

Our consolidated position with regard to the aggressor state and its accomplice is of crucial importance to restore peace and stability in Europe as well as respect for the principles of the Helsinki Final Act.

Enclosure: as stated.

Sincerely yours,

Head of the delegation



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