



JOINT STATEMENT BY MEMBERS OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT
on Russian aggression against Ukraine

Brussels, 22 February 2022 - “In the face of Russia's continued military provocations, the decision to recognise Ukraine's breakaway regions and to deploy so-called ‘peacekeepers’, we deplore Russia’s actions and express our full support for Ukraine and the Ukrainian people.

We call for a strong and immediate response by the European Union and its Member States to the Putin regime, the imposition of additional sanctions and international condemnation, including personal sanctions against Putin and the members of the Russian National Security Council that personally supported the decision to recognize Ukraine's breakaway regions and to deploy so-called ‘peacekeepers’. Russia should be suspended from organising and participating in international sporting events, including the 2022 UEFA Champions League final to be held in St Petersburg this spring.

Additional commitments must be made to help the Ukrainian authorities to defend Ukraine’s sovereignty and to further Europeanise Ukraine, providing every opportunity for closer political association and economic integration with the EU.

Russia has become dangerous for Europe and the world. Its aggression must be stopped by all possible means, peace and respect for the rules-based international order must be promoted.”

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