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Professor Anatoly Zagorodny
President
The National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine

Esteemed Mr. President,

The Croatian Academy of Sciences and Arts is appalled by the news of the Russian aggression on Ukraine, the demolition of the Ukrainian towns and cities, and the killings of the Ukrainian people.

In our minds, it evokes memories of the past sufferings of Croatia during the Serbian aggression thirty years ago, when the just and legitimate strivings of the Croatian people for its free, independent and sovereign state encountered resistance from the Serbian hegemonistic ambitions. This historical experience obliges us in these difficult moments to express to Ukraine, Croatia's close friend, solidarity with the Ukrainian people, who is being denied the right to its own identity and sovereignty.

The Croatian Academy of Sciences and Arts hereby joins numerous appeals for stopping the aggression on Ukraine, which puts in danger not only the peace in Europe and the world, but also the world order and global security, as well as the profound values of mankind, universality of science and freedom of art.

Long live Ukraine!

Yours sincerely,



Professor Velimir Neidhardt, Ph.D.

President

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