



## SLOVAK ACADEMY OF SCIENCES

PRESIDENT

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Dear Mr. President,  
Dear Members of the Presiding Committee of the National Sciences of Ukraine,  
Dear Colleagues,

The Slovak Academy of Sciences received with horror and outrage the hard-to-believe news on the invasion of your country by the armed forces of the Russian Federation. We consider this violation of the sovereignty and territorial integrity of an independent state to be a gross and unprecedented violation of the principles of international law and we are deeply convinced that those who have committed this terrible act will have to bear adequate consequences for their actions.

In response to these unprecedented events, our Academy immediately terminated its cooperation with the Russian Federation in the field of science and research at both bilateral and multilateral level. At the same time, we would like to assure you that the Slovak Academy of Sciences would like to assist you, dear colleagues, the members and staff of the National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine, with all the means available to a scientific institution, so that you may continue your work in the best possible way.

The Slovak Academy of Sciences has set up a coordination committee composed of Academy's senior officials to take effective measures to help Ukrainian scientists and their families seeking refuge from the war in Slovakia and to provide them with opportunities for a dignified life and developing their research and creative potential. We will keep you informed about specific tools and forms of this assistance.

The Slovak Academy of Sciences and the entire Slovak scientific and academic community is on the side of the Ukrainian nation and supports its heroic struggle for its freedom. In our Academy you will always find reliable support and a real friend willing to help even in the most difficult times. Glory to Ukraine!

Sincerely yours,

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