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Dear Liudmyla, Victoriia, Pavlo

Dear Ukrainian colleagues

Please accept the expression of our shock and sympathy for you and the Ukrainian people facing this act of aggression. Your European colleagues think of you, your families, and the people you care for. We feel helpless in face of your suffering, yet would like to express our support.

## European Family Physicians appeal to STOP WAR.

War violates human rights.

War leads to oppression.

War is an avoidable cause of lifelong suffering and disease.

As family physicians, we take care of our patients during their entire life cycle.

In our daily work, we are all aware of how extreme life events may harm human beings.

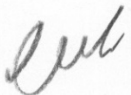
Without fundamental human rights, health and quality of life is not possible to achieve.

We see health as a "state of complete physical, mental and social well-being and not merely the absence of disease or infirmity", and as a fundamental human right.

We wish to express our solidarity with the Ukrainian people and all human beings who suffer from this war. We wish to express our solidarity with the Ukrainian family physicians.

We wish to make a solid appeal to Russia to STOP this war and return to diplomatic negotiations.

Yours sincerely



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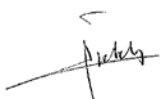
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