

APLN Statement on the War in Ukraine

We call for an immediate end to Russia's legally and morally indefensible aggression against Ukraine. Internationally agreed principles of sovereignty, territorial integrity and the inviolability of national borders, and non-interference in the internal affairs of states must be respected.

For as long as it continues, the war in Ukraine risks nuclear escalation with catastrophic global consequences. We call on the P5 to stand by their recent joint statement that 'a nuclear war cannot be won and must never be fought'. Nuclear-armed powers must maintain restraint. Events in Europe prove that we need to work harder and faster to ensure that nuclear weapons are put beyond use and eventually eliminated. Nuclear threats are a violation of international law and cannot and must not be abided.

The worsening humanitarian crisis demands immediate action. For the sake of the victims of this war - the dead, the injured, the displaced, and the suffering - we ask that politicians remember their humanity. Those in need require prompt, safe and unfettered access to humanitarian aid. We urge political leaders to show courage and take the necessary steps to end hostilities and pursue a political solution to the war.

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