
Statement on Ukraine by European Parliament's leaders

Parliament's President and group leaders adopted the following statement on Russia's military attack on Ukraine, and announced an extraordinary plenary session for next Tuesday.

The European Parliament Conference of Presidents was convened by President Roberta Metsola this morning to discuss our response to Russia's invasion into Ukraine.

An exchange of views was held with the President of the European Council Charles Michel and the President of the European Commission Ursula Von der Leyen.

The Conference of Presidents condemned the Russian attack on Ukraine in the strongest possible terms. Ukraine is an independent and sovereign nation and its territorial integrity is non-negotiable. The invasion is unjustified and illegal. It is a threat to European and regional stability, as well as to the rules-based world order. The attack targets our model of democratic society. It cannot go unanswered.

We remain firm in our unity, in our resolve and in our response to unprovoked Russian aggression. The European Parliament supports an unprecedented European and international response, including new and severe sanctions that will ensure the Kremlin will be held accountable for its actions.

The Conference of Presidents expressed full solidarity and support for Ukraine and its people.

It was agreed to organise an extraordinary plenary debate on Tuesday 1 March 2022.

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