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Dear Madam:

Dear Sirs:

**Re: Call for an emergency session of the G7 in Ukraine**

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The Ukrainian World Congress (UWC) commends your statement of 2 March 2014 with which you condemn “*the Russian Federation’s clear violation of the sovereignty and territorial integrity of Ukraine*” and your joint decision to suspend participation in activities associated with the preparation of the scheduled G8 Summit in Sochi, Russia, in June 2014.

Taking into account Russia’s blatant disregard for its international obligations concerning Ukraine’s territorial integrity and the unwillingness to remove Russian troops from the territory of Ukraine, we call upon the G7 countries to immediately suspend the membership of Russia in the G8.

Further, we urge you to convene an emergency session of the G7 in Ukraine to address the economic, social and security impact of Russia’s invasion of Ukraine.

It is imperative for Russia to understand the consequences of its refusal to remove Russian troops from the territory of Ukraine and we urge you to make this clear.

Sincerely,

UKRAINIAN WORLD CONGRESS



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c.c. His Excellency Oleksandr Turchynov, Acting President of Ukraine  
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*The UWC is the international coordinating body for Ukrainian communities in the diaspora representing the interests of over 20 million Ukrainians. The UWC has member organizations in 33 countries and ties with Ukrainians in 14 additional countries. Founded in 1967, the UWC was recognized in 2003 by the United Nations Economic and Social Council as a non-governmental organization (NGO) with special consultative status.*