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# Wilhelmshaven Declaration

## Declaration of the Interallied Confederation of Reserve Officers (CIOR) concerning the invasion of Ukraine by armed forces of the Russian Federation

**The Interallied Confederation of Reserve Officers (CIOR)**, (founded in 1948 and representing over 1.3 million reserve officers) condemns, in the strongest possible terms, the unprovoked invasion of Ukraine by armed forces of the Russian Federation. We also condemn the involvement of Belarus in this aggression against Ukraine and call on that Nation for it to abide by its international obligations.

We demand the Russian Regime ceases its activities, seen as war crimes, immediately. That it unconditionally withdraws all forces and military equipment from the entire territory of Ukraine. Russia must take full responsibility for this act of aggression and all the destruction and loss of life it has caused and will cause. It must be, and will be, held accountable for its actions.

Russia's military attack against Ukraine – an independent and sovereign State – is a flagrant violation of international law and the core principles on which the international rules-based order is built.

CIOR member countries, with their transatlantic and like-minded partners, have taken and are making, unprecedented efforts to achieve a diplomatic solution to this security crisis. Russia has not reacted to these efforts and have instead opted for grave escalation with intent.

We, as CIOR, stand together in solidarity. Our reservists are ready to bear our duty to protect our homelands and the democracies, freedoms, and human rights of the people.

This declaration was signed by the President CIOR during its In-Between-Meeting in Wilhelmshaven on 5<sup>th</sup> of April 2022.

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