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Subject: Ukraine War Anniversary Resolution – European Federalist Proposals

Dear Member of the European Parliament,

Ahead of the upcoming resolution marking the fourth anniversary of Russia's full-scale war of aggression against Ukraine, the Union of European Federalists urges you to take into consideration some proposals:

I. European responsibility for Ukraine's defence

Support for Ukraine is a European responsibility. This means it cannot depend on decisions taken in Washington. The European Union must act on the assumption that U.S. policy may be uncertain or transactional.

In light of the continued and devastating Russian air attacks, including the ones suffered in early February 2026, the EU must urgently accelerate the delivery of advanced military hardware. It is no longer enough to provide defensive shields; the Union must ensure the immediate provision of both air and missile defence systems and long-range precision strike capabilities. To effectively protect Ukrainian lives and sovereignty, Europe must empower Ukraine to neutralize not only the "arrows" but also the "archers" by targeting the launch sites of these aggressions.

In addition, we need to achieve a substantial strengthening of European and Ukrainian critical *strategic enablers*:

- satellite intelligence and secure communications
- strategic airlift and logistics
- cyber defence and electronic warfare

The objective is clear: ensure that Europe and its partners can sustain Ukraine's defence effort over time, reducing both Ukraine's and Europe's structural dependence on U.S. military assets and establishing a genuine autonomous European system of defence.

2. Stricter sanctions to halt Russia's war machine.

We urge the European Parliament to champion a resolution that moves beyond incrementalism toward total strategic decoupling from Russia. We call for a 'zero-exception'

sanctions regime that enforces the absolute isolation of the aggressor's financial and energy systems and the total ban on its maritime transport. This is the moment to signal that Ukraine's security is an indivisible component of European Territorial Integrity, requiring not just support, but a full commitment to a sovereign defence architecture that guarantees peace through unyielding strength

3. Ukraine's EU accession and institutional reform

The resolution should firmly support accelerated Ukraine's accession to the European Union as a strategic priority. However, to overcome the obstacles that make entry controversial, enlargement must go hand in hand with institutional reforms. The Union cannot function effectively with an expanded membership under the current system. Not only would the decision-making process, already paralyzed by vetoes, remain blocked, but the current financing system, which is already completely inadequate, would also be unable to function and need to be reformed. The European Parliament should therefore reaffirm the need for decision-making reforms that limit or overcome unanimity in the Council, especially in foreign, security and fiscal matters, including by reforming the current Treaties. – and to increase the legislative and financial powers of Parliament.

4. Use of frozen Russian assets

The EU must continue and intensify work on mobilising frozen Russian state assets. This would be a highly significant political act in order to show clearly Europe's firmness towards Russia. Aggression must carry material consequences. These resources should underpin EU financial assistance to Ukraine, including the EU loan mechanism, and contribute to Ukraine's reconstruction.

5. 24 February as European Day of Resistance

In light of the ties between the Ukrainian Resistance and the fate of Europe, the European Parliament should proclaim 24 February a European Day of Resistance. This date unites Ukraine and Europe in the shared struggle to defend freedom, sovereignty and international law.

6. Immanuel Kant and the meaning of Europe's support for Ukraine

The resolution should also recognise Immanuel Kant as a founding philosophical figure who inspired the vision of a united Europe. Kant's idea of a federation of free states gruled by law, under a common constitution, to ensure peace, speaks directly to today's challenges. Supporting Ukraine means for Europe defending an order based on rule of law, rights and democracy against imperial aggression. This is not only geopolitics. It is the defence of the European idea itself.



This anniversary resolution is an opportunity for the European Parliament to show strategic clarity and political leadership. Europe must act as a political actor to secure true peace, justice and freedom.

Many thanks in advance for your interest and support,

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