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Dear colleagues!

Ukraine is still in danger of increasing aggression by the Russian Federation. Despite the active diplomatic and military assistance provided to our country by the allies of the democratic civilized world, the Russian Federation continues to accumulate troops and military equipment on the borders of Ukraine, including the territory of Belarus and the occupied Crimea. Ukrainians have deep historical experience, which shows that Moscow's representatives cannot be trusted and that all possible measures must be taken to stop the new aggression, but also to liberate the occupied territories of Ukraine and stop the war within Europe - in Ukraine. This requires disseminating information as much as possible and involving civil society in different European countries.

As doctors and Christians, we are called to bear witness to the truth and to fight for it. We ask you to spread information about the war in Ukraine and the new dangers of intensifying aggression, especially for the Federation of Catholic Medical Associations, and to use every opportunity to inform civil society and governments to help build healthy public opinion and thus end the war in Ukraine. establishing a just peace. We also ask for prayer for Ukraine, as Pope Francis called for, holding a day of prayer on January 26, 2022. May the remembrance of Ukraine and peace in our prayers be frequent and constant, that hope and faith may be revived, that the aggressors may be converted and retreat, and that the long-suffering citizens of Ukraine who suffered the consequences of the war may be established in truth and peace.

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