

24th of February, 2022

STATMENT of the Moldova National Platform of the Eastern Partnership Civil Society Forum

Regarding the conviction of the military action unprovoked by the Russian Federation against Ukraine

We, the members of the Moldova National Platform of the Eastern Partnership Civil Society Forum, comprising 100 member-organisations:

Condemn the aggression of the Russian Federation against Ukraine and the infringement of the territorial integrity of our neighbour and the norms of international law.

Request the Russian Federation to stop immediately and without preconditions the military operation and to withdraw their armed forces from the sovereign territory of Ukraine. The war which already causes human losses must be stopped.

Appeal to the international community to urgently undertake all the actions imposed by the norms of international law for stopping immediately the unprovoked attack of the Russian Federation against Ukraine and addressing the conflict peacefully. The response of the international community must include disincentives and sanctions for the aggressor state.

Are in solidarity with the Ukrainian people and support the restraint displayed by the Ukrainian authorities and their willingness to identify diplomatic solutions.

Appeal to the international organisations UNO, OSCE, the Council of Europe, EU and its member states, the USA, Turkey, the Great Britain, Canada, Switzerland and other partner states to offer immediate support to the Republic of Moldova in managing the humanitarian crisis, in monitoring security and the necessary assistance for preventing any potential aggression actions against the Republic of Moldova

Appeal to the authorities of the Republic of Moldova to assure the continuous information of the population regarding the measures undertaken at national level in the context of the exceptional situation announced.

Encourage the authorities of the Republic of Moldova to undertake urgently prompt actions to secure the information space of the Republic of Moldova, including limitation of propaganda and



misinformation from the Kremlin and its influence instruments from the Republic of Moldova.

Request the mass-media institutions from the Republic of Moldova to abstain from promoting propaganda, fake news, to combat misinformation and to relate correctly and with responsibility about the crisis from the region.

Call the citizens of the Republic of Moldova and all the political forces to unity, cohesion, consolidation, calm and responsibility in this exceptional situation in the region and in the Republic of Moldova.

Express our availability to offer the necessary assistance and expertise in the effort of the exceptional situation management national authorities, in collaboration with the development partners of the Republic of Moldova.

Moldova National Platform of the Eastern Partnership Civil Society Forum was created in 2011 and meets 100 member-organisations, 7 from which represent umbrella organisations for over 255 organisations. The Mission of the Platform is strengthening the process of european integration and democratic development of the Republic of Moldova, to contribute to the advocacy process and to monitor the implementation of the Association Agreement between Moldova-EU and other relevant documents which refer to the Eastern Partnership and the relation Moldova-EU.