



Dear Madame or Mister Speaker,

The Special Operations Association of America (SOAA) urges you to continue to support Ukraine through weapons and aid transfers. As Special Operations Forces (SOF) Veterans, who have served shoulder-to-shoulder with our foreign allies, we believe the United States must remain steadfast in its commitment to assist Ukrainian Forces as they defend against Russian tyranny. Doing so not only upholds the core principles foundational to democracy, but also deters further aggression and promotes global security.

Ukraine has been a valued ally in Eastern Europe and has been one of the strongest military allies in the region against Russian authoritarianism. Supporting Ukraine in its efforts to maintain democracy sends a clear message to the world about the strength of our commitment to democratic principles. President Putin's ongoing atrocities in Ukraine and the illegal annexation of Crimea represent direct challenges to the World Order dominated by Western values. Providing weapons and aid to Ukraine is a necessary measure to deter further aggression and maintain the territorial integrity of Ukraine. Strategically located in Eastern Europe, sharing borders with several NATO member countries, Ukraine's success against Russia also promotes peace and security in the region.

Our resistance to adversarial dictatorships maintains global stability. We cannot abdicate our role in the world. Our support for Ukraine is a demonstration of our commitment to standing by our allies and partners in the face of aggression. It reinforces the trust that other nations have in the United States as a reliable ally.

Where we stand, right now, with our allies will shape the next era of world leadership. Strength is not only conveyed through tanks and bombs, true strength is demonstrated by how we support our allies and partners. It is imperative we remain resolute in our support for Ukraine. Doing so not only serves our foreign interests and maintains our strategic advantage, but also upholds the principles that are foundational to both our domestic and foreign policy. We urge you to continue advocating for and supporting measures that strengthen our partnership with Ukraine in order to promote a more secure and stable world.

Sincerely,

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