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## RESOLUTION ON THE WAR IN UKRAINE

## **RECALLING THAT:**

- the TUAC is an advisory committee to the OECD, and its core principles being international cooperation among governments in pursuit of peace and security;
- The TUAC membership requires adherence to those principles;
- Participation and access to the TUAC meetings, working groups and resources are not available to trade unions who do not adhere to the principles of co-operation, peace and security;

**The TUAC TAKES NOTE** of the Statement from the OECD Secretary-General on initial measures taken in response to Russia's large scale aggression against Ukraine,<sup>1</sup> which informs that the OECD Council has decided to:

- formally terminate the accession process with Russia;
- close the OECD Moscow office;
- stop all invitations to Russia at Ministerial levels and in the bodies where listed as Invitee;
- not enter into any new agreements for voluntary contributions with Russia, and take the necessary steps to stop any projects funded through voluntary contributions from Russia.

**The TUAC CONDEMNS** Russia's invasion of Ukraine as a violent and barbaric act against a sovereign nation, its people and workers, and asks for the immediate withdrawal of Russian armed forces from the country. For the TUAC, peace and democracy are fundamental and universal values. Since 24 February, hundreds of civilians died in Ukraine, hundreds of thousands fled the country and thousands of protesters were arrested in more than thirty Russian cities because they were demonstrating for peace.

**The TUAC CALLS** on OECD Members to assist sovereign nations adhering to the standards of the Organisation and use all available resources to bring an end to the Russian invasion, while safeguarding as much as possible Russian people and workers, who as Ukrainian ones suffer the consequences of the authoritarian decisions of Vladimir Putin.

In light of the above, as well as taking into consideration the official position adopted by the Federation of Independent Trade Unions of Russia (FNPR) in support of the armed intervention in Ukraine,<sup>2</sup>

**the TUAC DECIDES** to suspend effective immediately the status of Associate member of the FNPR and present a motion for its termination at the earliest TUAC Plenary Session.

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<sup>1</sup> OECD, 25 February 2022, Statement from OECD Secretary-General on initial measures taken in response to Russia's large scale aggression against Ukraine, <a href="https://www.oecd.org/newsroom/statement-from-oecd-secretary-general-on-initial-measures-taken-in-response-to-russia-s-large-scale-aggression-against-ukraine.htm">https://www.oecd.org/newsroom/statement-from-oecd-secretary-general-on-initial-measures-taken-in-response-to-russia-s-large-scale-aggression-against-ukraine.htm</a> (last accessed on 28/02/22).

<sup>2</sup> FNPR, 24 February 2022, *О МИРОТВОРЧЕСКОЙ ОПЕРАЦИИ* [ABOUT THE PEACEBUILDING OPERATION], <a href="https://fnpr.ru/events/novosti-fnpr/o-mirotyorcheskoy-operatsii.html">https://fnpr.ru/events/novosti-fnpr/o-mirotyorcheskoy-operatsii.html</a> (last accessed on 28/02/2022).