



To the embassy of the Russian Federation in Norway
Att: Ambassador Teimuraz Otarovich Ramishvili

Joint statement on the illegal war in Ukraine

The Norwegian Confederation of Trade Unions (LO), the Confederation of Unions for Professionals (Unio), the Confederation of Vocational Unions (YS) and the Federation of Norwegian Professional Associations (Akademikerne) strongly condemn the Russian invasion of Ukraine. Russia have started a war in violation of the UN and the legal principles of the international community. We hold Russia solely responsible for the devastation and suffering that the Ukrainian people will now have to bear.

LO, Unio, YS and Akademikerne are extremely concerned about the fundamental lack of respect for democratic principles that the Russian government are portraying. The Russian government are with its actions undermining the respect for independence and national sovereignty in Ukraine. And worryingly communicating the same threats to even more countries in Europe.

LO, Unio, YS and Akademikerne demand:

- Immediate stop to Russia's aggression against Ukraine.
- Genuine negotiations and diplomacy to end the conflict.
- Respect for the Minsk Agreement.

The undersigned Norwegian trade unions condemn the disinformation that is spread by the Russian regime, and call on all democratic actors to help stop, as well as to actively help convey an accurate and truthfully picture of the war and devastation that are currently taking place.

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