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H. E. Mr António Guterres  
Secretary-General of the United Nations

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*"Humanity is only a habit, a figment of civilisation. It can completely disappear."  
"Compassion is the highest form of human existence."  
"Blood and power are intoxicating..."  
F. M. Dostoevsky*

Dear Mr Secretary-General!

In order to avoid the extension of the bloody conflict between the two Slavic, Christian peoples, and to prevent further deepening of the political, economic, financial, social, humanitarian, demographic and cultural crises throughout the world, or in other words in order to prevent the ongoing worldwide Cold War from escalating further (extending and exacerbation thereof), and finally, in order to prevent the disappearance of humanistic values and compassion, the Humanistic Outlook Group (HOG) appeals to the global community and calls for the following steps to be taken without delay.

1. The Russian and Ukrainian authorities should immediately cease all hostilities and conclude a ceasefire with security guarantees for each side.
2. Leaders of the US, as well as the UK and other European countries, should refrain from supplying weapons and military equipment to Ukraine (similarly to the Hungarian position, for example), as such actions only contribute to the escalation of the armed conflict, including further casualties on both sides.
3. The US, UK, Switzerland and other states should immediately lift sanctions and other restrictions imposed on Russia, as these actions lead to an escalation of the Cold War, which above will result in further violations of the rights of not only Russian citizens, but also of those of the affected countries (for example, in Hungary the sanctions have affected over 16,000 companies with accounts in "Sberbank Europe Group" banks) and at the same time they contribute to the enrichment of certain individuals.
4. The media and Internet resources should immediately stop disseminating information and materials that contribute to the escalation of the Cold War by inciting hatred and aggression and deepening the already existing psychological crisis.
5. Steps should be taken to reform the United Nations as soon as possible, including amending its Charter and other related documents, as the UN has proved for the past 75 years that it is incapable of effectively ensuring peace, international security and has failed to protect human rights and freedoms.
6. If the European countries are genuinely concerned about the fate of Ukraine and its people, they should immediately hold an online conference and announce the admission of the country to the European Union on an exceptional basis, without imposing conditions that may not be feasible for Ukraine today.

Respectfully yours,

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Director General of the Humanistic Outlook Group.