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STATEMENT ON UKRAINE

The Queens County Bar Association strongly condemns the Russian Federation's unlawful and barbaric invasion of Ukraine. We urge the Russian Federation to immediately withdraw its armed forces from Ukraine, restoring Ukraine's territorial integrity and international borders.

As an organization of legal professionals in the most diverse county in the country, with over 138 languages spoken by residents from more than 150 countries, the Queens County Bar Association is committed to uphold the principles of international legal order.

The war in Ukraine is responsible for the greatest European refugee crisis since World War II. To date, more than 2 million people have fled Ukraine, seeking refuge in the neighboring countries. Countless others, including innocent women and children, have fallen victim to shelling and military aggression.

The Russian Federation has glaringly violated the United Nations Charter on the principles of fundamental freedom and respect for human rights and decency. The Queens County Bar Association joins the New York State Bar Association in calling upon the U.S. government and the international community to restore the rule of law and to prosecute any and all war crimes.

Sincerely yours,

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CARE - is an international humanitarian group that is providing food, water and other items to families fleeing violence in Ukraine. If you'd like to contribute, go **HERE**.

CORE. is an emergency response nonprofit that's on the ground in Poland, distributing hygiene kits, thermal blankets, as well as emergency cash assistance to help families resettle. If you'd like to contribute, go **HERE**.

Doctors Without Borders. Staffers with this medical relief organization remain in Ukraine and are "seeking ways to respond to the medical and humanitarian needs as the conflict evolves." You can offer support **HERE**.

International Committee of the Red Cross. The Swiss-based organization is supporting the work of the Ukrainian Red Cross in helping those impacted by the war. Donate to the ICRC **HERE**.

Airbnb.org. Airbnb's nonprofit is asking people — especially those residing in European nations near Ukraine — **Sign-Up HERE** to provide temporary housing for Ukrainian refugees or **Donate HERE** to their stays. The San Francisco-based company is also pledging to shelter up to 100,000 fleeing Ukraine.