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## The War in Ukraine: response from the Canadian Psychoanalytic Society

The CPS-SCP Executive is shocked, horrified and concerned by the war and humanitarian crisis resulting from the Russian invasion of Ukraine. We oppose the unthinkable aggressive attacks that are instantly traumatizing – both physically and mentally – the people of Ukraine. We call for the immediate cessation of hostilities, and for a peaceful and mediated solution to the conflict.

War tears at the fabric of humanity, at our collective project to see ourselves in the other and see the other in ourselves and thus peacefully acknowledge and bridge our differences. War attacks the integrity of the individual in the moment and leaves wounds, traces of hate and destructivity that remain for generations.

We demand and hope that the health and safety of millions of innocent people be the single priority, the priority that insists to an urgent end to the aggression, and to the establishment of peace.

### **Donations:**

Many may wish to contribute to relief efforts providing humanitarian aid. The CPS –SCP is not collecting any donations. Among many organizations, we provide links to a few considerations:

The Canadian Red Cross:

<https://www.redcross.ca>

The United Nations Refugee Agency (Canada):

[https://www.unhcr.ca/#\\_ga=2.265366415.1869433961.1647026526-1997145315.1647026526](https://www.unhcr.ca/#_ga=2.265366415.1869433961.1647026526-1997145315.1647026526)

Also, the following link leads to the website page of the International Psychoanalytic Association's response to the war in Ukraine, which includes messages from its officers, further links for donation, and resources for clinicians:

[https://www.ipa.world/IPA/en/News/Ukraine\\_Crisis.aspx](https://www.ipa.world/IPA/en/News/Ukraine_Crisis.aspx)