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END OF THE WAR ONLY THROUGH DIPLOMACY

Wars can only be ended in two ways: by treaties after negotiations or by unconditional surrender after the total annihilation of a combatant. There are enough examples historically.

In the present conflict, only the first possibility can be considered, as the second would not be limited to one combatant but would result in global devastation.

The Lazarus Union recognises the following facts without reservation:

- The injury of the international-legal prohibition of force according to art. 2 No. 4 of the charter of the United Nations by the Russian Federation, as well as
- The right of self-defence of Ukraine under Article 51 of the Charter of the United Nations.

At present, the main Eurocentric focus is almost exclusively on the impact on Western (EU) states.

The 2022 edition of the report "The State of Food Security and Nutrition in the World" (SOFI), a joint publication of the Food and Agriculture Organisation (FAO), the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD), the UN Children's Fund (UNICEF), the UN World Food Programme (WFP) and the World Health Organisation (WHO), contains alarming descriptions of the impact of the Ukraine conflict on world food security.

Ukraine and Russia are two of the most important export countries for staple foods and fertilisers. The war in Ukraine will therefore have serious consequences. Especially in poorer countries, food will become extremely expensive because global supply will decrease, and supply chains will be severely disrupted.

According to the United Nations, the war in Ukraine could have a massive global impact. About 1.4 billion people could be affected by food shortages if exports of grain from Ukraine and fertiliser from Russia continue to fail, said Amin Awad, the UN crisis coordinator for Ukraine.

The Lazarus union as NGO with general advisor status with the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations (ECOSOC) requests therefore all members of the United Nations, as well as the NGOs with advisor status to support the following requests:



- to influence the parties to the conflict to cease hostilities and enter into negotiations with the aim of achieving a ceasefire,
- to influence the parties to the conflict to become aware of their global responsibility,
- to influence the parties to the conflict to align themselves with the SDGs for sustainable development.

Therefore, the Lazarus union supports all initiatives, which have the goal to prevent a world-wide, but particularly Africa concerning hunger crisis, and to add to the killing on the battlefield and the civilian victims in the cities still further innocent victims.

From Eleanor Roosevelt, as Chair of the UN Commission on Human Rights, who was the driving force behind the creation of the 1948 Charter that will forever remain her legacy, comes the sentence:

***"It is not enough to talk about peace. You have to believe in it.
And it is not enough to believe in it. One must work at it."***

In the Lazarus Union you will find a partner to promote civil society and political initiatives in order to achieve this goal.

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