

RESOLUTION of the INTERNATIONAL SECURITY FORUM

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Having discussed the current state of the security sector in Ukraine, Central and Eastern Europe, and Europe in general, We, the participants of the Lviv International Security Forum,

Acknowledge the strategic instability of centres of “frozen” and ongoing conflicts in the region, which creates a source for actual and potential threats to the national security of individual states and international security in Central and Eastern Europe and the Black Sea basin, as well as Europe in general;

Are aware of the increasing threats to individuals, societies and states of the CEE and Black Sea region caused by corruption, trans-border organized crime, piracy, illegal drugs and arms trafficking, illegal migration and human trafficking, international terrorism and its contributing environment - extremist movements, cyber threats, unforeseen climate changes and other environmental threats, etc.;

Stress the security threat created as a result of the current ineffective public institutions in Ukraine and certain other countries;

Regard the aggregate effects of the consequences of the European energy crises of recent years, as comparative to the effects of the 1973 oil crisis;

Are fully supportive of the efforts made by the USA, Russia and other states in reducing the nuclear threat and establishing the climate of global trust and stability, which were reflected in the Prague Treaty on Strategic Arms Reduction signed by the USA and Russia on April 08, 2010;

Realize Ukraine`s contribution to ensuring regional and global security, its leadership in the cause of non-proliferation of nuclear weapon and its components;

Recognize the necessity of keeping the existing collective security system in Europe as a basis for further development and expansion of its activities at the regional and global levels;

Welcome the constructive and substantial dialogue of expert communities from different states, which contributes to finding common answers to current security issues;

Propose to establish in Ukraine an ongoing expert group for the discussion of European security problems;

Recommend to the leaders of OSCE member states, China and other interested states the following:

To strengthen the legal basis of security in Europe, the CEE and Black Sea region, including making use of the potential of the Budapest Memorandum of 1994 and its institutional mechanisms;

To concentrate efforts on transforming existing state institutions and local governments into modern public institutions that operate in compliance with European principles and democratic standards, ensuring their comprehensive enhancement as a basis for assuring national security;

To establish a close and effective partnership and cooperation for joint mitigation of current and potential threats and challenges to security and stability, caused by organized crime and corruption, international terrorism and cyber-crime, unforeseen climate changes and other environmental threats, based on the mechanisms of effective international organizations, in particular , the EU, OSCE, NATO, the European Council, etc; herewith stressing the special significance of establishing constructive cooperation with states such as China;

To implement symmetric and indiscriminative legal and treaty assurance of the transparency of energy markets, as well as objective instrumental monitoring of the physical parameters of energy resource flows in a multilateral format, which corresponds to the technological Upstream-Midstream-Downstream chain functioning of the energy sector;

To extensively develop international military partnership and military-technical cooperation as a means of enhancing trust, global and regional military security as a key element of international security measures along with other legal and institutional measures in the political, economic, and humanitarian spheres.

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