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## UPDATED STATEMENT ON SUPPORT OF UKRAINE

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In current indescribable military actions by Russia and Belarus upon democratic Ukraine, we suggest consideration be given to discontinuation of any professional or educational collaboration with Russia and Belarus at a national level until Russia ceases all their military actions against Ukraine and removes all military forces from Ukraine.

EBCOG wishes to express deep sadness and concern at the unjustified aggression of Ukraine by the Russian Federation and Belarussian authority. Along with our parent body UEMS we strongly condemn this violation of the Ukrainian territory aggression and stand by our Ukrainian colleagues during this most difficult time.

We remain deeply concerned with the loss of civilian lives, sexual crimes against women and children, and the destruction of healthcare facilities. As a professional organisation we strongly demand that access to healthcare facilities are maintained for those who need it and crucially the safety of health care professionals is assured.

War in Europe has led to major political, ethical, and financial concerns. EBCOG condemns any such aggression by any country within Europe. The war is causing untold suffering across Ukraine and we feel morally obliged to sever our professional and educational collaboration with Russia and Belarus until the conflict is over. We will re-examine our relationship with Russian colleagues once the conflict is over.

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