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SUPPORT TO INSTITUTIONS AND PEOPLE OF UKRAINE

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Attn.:

Rector/Vice-Rectors/Deans/Directors/Heads/All Teachers & Students Ukrainian Universities/Institutes/Organizations/Councils/Parks

Dear Sir/Madam,

We are deeply disturbed, depressed and shaken from the war crimes perpetrated by Russia on the innocent, peace-loving and respectful people of Ukraine. It is extremely condemned and decried. On behalf of our institution, we extend full support morally and institutionally to our partner/collaborating institutions and other organizations in Ukraine. On individual level, we have mobilized our peer networks to sign petitions, to boost the tempo of Ukrainian citizens, to condemn the aggressor and aggression, to assist directly the groups seeking help, and so on. We have written messages and letters to global institutions and key international organizations for pressurizing Russia to stop the war unconditionally.

Having limitations of operating non-politically, we envisage a massive humanitarian crisis in Ukraine following the large-scale war against the people of this country. We also understand that along with the economy, infrastructure, social fabric, health facilities, basic amenities, food and water, and human living, the educational apparatus of Ukraine is going to crumble remarkably. In this row, schools, higher education institutions, universities and colleges will also be affected badly. At the moment, it is a priority and urgency to stop the war to escape further loss of lives, infrastructure, human sufferings and exodus of the people.

Post-war, support of entire world shall be required to rebuild and rehabilitate the war-affected people, institutions, educational centres, and civil society. The world over, individuals and organizations must have to extend help to develop supporting networking. Envisaging such a need, The Grassroots Institute will create a "special platform" on ggN (Grassroots Global Network) [www.grassrootsglobal.net] specially for Ukraine where all our existing and potential partners/collaborators can park their appeals/requests. From this "special platform", we will campaign intensively across the world to attract the attention of individuals, international organizations, governments, institutions, NGOs, donors, agencies and networks towards the appeals/requests of Ukrainian institutions/groups/organizations asking for support. We will try to activate this 'special platform' from 10 March 2022. All Ukrainian universities, institutes, colleges, NGOs, city/village councils, citizen groups, etc. will be invited soon to create and place their appeals/requests on this platform.

Meanwhile, we cancel a Lecture scheduled on 9 March 2022 specifically for Ukrainian scientific authors [see www.grassrootsinstitute.ca/gli]. We apologize for this, but the life of our beloved Ukrainian citizens is far more important. We can fix many such lectures later. Our prays and hearted support are with all the people of Ukraine.

Sincerely yours,

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