

TEMPORARY SPECIAL COMMISSION

on the protection of property and non-property rights of internally displaced persons and other persons affected by the armed aggression of the Russian Federation against Ukraine

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DECISION

On urgent measures to strengthen the protection of the rights of internally displaced persons

Based on the results of the Parliamentary and Public Forum "Strengthening the Protection of the Rights of Internally Displaced Persons" held in Khmelnytskyi region on 21-23 October 2024, which discussed the problems faced by internally displaced persons, the Commission **d** e c i d e d:

- 1. To take note of the Analytical Report "Access to social services for the population affected by the armed aggression of the Russian Federation" prepared by the Commission's Secretariat, as set out in Annex 1, and the Analytical Report "Employment of internally displaced persons", as set out in Annex 2 to this decision.
- 2. To address the UNHCR Office in Ukraine and the Red Cross Society in Ukraine with a request to consider the possibility of resuming funding for the Shelter programme in accordance with the Resolution of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine dated 19 March 2022 No. 333 "On Approval of the Procedure for Compensation of Expenses for Temporary Accommodation (Stay) of Internally Displaced Persons" for the next period, at least for the heating season 2024-2025.
- 3. To propose to the Prime Minister of Ukraine to take the necessary measures, including, inter alia, negotiations with international partners, to resume funding for the Shelter programme in accordance with the Resolution of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine dated 19 March 2022 No. 333 "On Approval of the Procedure for Compensation of Expenses for Temporary Accommodation (Stay) of Internally Displaced Persons".
- 4. In order to prepare the consideration of the relevant issue at one of the next meetings of the Commission, to address the Prime Minister of Ukraine with a request to instruct the relevant central executive authorities to conduct and send to the Commission a detailed analysis with financial and economic justification for the application of the Procedure for providing accommodation assistance to internally displaced persons, approved by the Resolution of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine

- dated 20 March 2022 No. 332 (as amended by the Resolution of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine dated 11 July 2023 No. 709), which will include the number of internally displaced persons who have lost the right to receive accommodation allowance in accordance with each criterion (ground), the application of which led to the termination of its payment, as well as the monthly number of recipients of this allowance starting from January 2024 and the cost of these expenses for the state budget.
- 5. To invite the Prime Minister of Ukraine to ensure the development and approval of the Strategy for the Development of the Social Services System in Ukraine and the Action Plan for its implementation, taking into account, in particular, the provisions of the new Law of Ukraine "On Social Services", international best practices, the ongoing armed aggression of the Russian Federation against Ukraine and its consequences, as well as other proposals set out in the Analytical Report "Access to Social Services for the Population Affected by the Armed Aggression of the Russian Federation", attached as Annex 1.
- 6. To address the heads of regional and Kyiv city state (military) administrations with a request:
- 6.1) to send the Analytical Report "Access to social services for the population affected by the armed aggression of the Russian Federation" (Annex No. 1) to the relevant district state (military) administrations, territorial communities of the region and all the Councils on IDPs of the region to ensure the identification of the population's needs for social services through the collection, synthesis and analysis of socio-demographic data, social research, surveys, etc, focus groups, etc. to maximise the interests of all residents (or potential residents) in the community, with special attention to persons affected by the armed aggression of the Russian Federation against Ukraine, as well as to identify persons in need of social services;
- 6.2) propose to the state (military) administrations and local self-government bodies displaced by the temporary occupation to consider the possibility of participating in the provision of social services to IDPs, residents of the territories of hostilities, temporarily occupied territories in receiving services in a remote format (taking into account security risks) and take into account other proposals set out in the Analytical Report "Access to Social Services for the Population Affected by the Armed Aggression of the Russian Federation" (Annex No. 1).
- 7. To invite the Prime Minister of Ukraine to ensure the development and approval of the State Employment Policy with a special focus on the territories affected by the armed aggression of the Russian Federation against Ukraine, as well as the affected population, including IDPs with a special focus on the recently displaced, and to take into account other proposals set out in the Analytical Report "Employment of Internally Displaced Persons" (Annex No.2).

- 8. To address the Ministry of Economy, the State Employment Service, regional and Kyiv city state (military) administrations on the need to further conduct awareness-raising campaigns in the field of employment, support for businesses, including relocated ones, taking into account accessibility requirements and disseminating materials in various formats, as well as to take into account other proposals set out in the Analytical Report "Employment of Internally Displaced Persons" (Annex No. 2).
- 9. To address the Vice Prime Minister for Reconstruction of Ukraine Minister of Development of Communities and Territories of Ukraine with a proposal to inform the Commission on the status of implementation (practical application) of the Law of Ukraine dated 5 October 2023 No. 3410-IX "On compensation for damage and destruction of certain categories of real estate as a result of hostilities, terrorism acts, sabotage caused by the armed aggression of the Russian Federation against Ukraine, and the State Register of Property Damaged and Destroyed as a result of hostilities, terrorism acts, sabotage caused by the armed aggression of the Russian Federation against Ukraine", which in fact provides for the right to compensation under the E-restoration program for repairs of residential real estate damaged by the aggressor country at one's own expense.
- 10. Given the great social significance of the Law of Ukraine "On Amendments to the Law of Ukraine "On Local Self-Government in Ukraine" and Other Legislative Acts of Ukraine on Democracy at the Local Self-Government Level" (which was sent to the President for signature on 17.05.2024), which provides for the definition of internally displaced persons as community residents, enabling them to use all the tools of local democracy, to address the President of Ukraine with a request to sign this Law.
- 11. The Commission's decision shall be sent to the President of Ukraine, the Prime Minister of Ukraine, the First Vice Prime Minister of Ukraine Minister of Economy of Ukraine, the Vice Prime Minister for Reconstruction of Ukraine Minister of Development of Communities and Territories of Ukraine, the Director of the State Employment Service, heads of regional and Kyiv city state (military) administrations.

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