

EXECUTIVE BOARD RESOLUTION No. 3/2022

WHEREAS, the ongoing events in Ukraine represent a violation of the Olympic Truce perpetrated by Russia;

WHEREAS, one of the key principles of the Olympic movement is to promote and keep peace and safety;

WHEREAS World Skate rejects war as well as as any other restriction of the fundamental freedoms;

WHEREAS, the IOC Executive Board has adopted the following resolution:

- 1. In order to protect the integrity of global sports competitions and for the safety of all the participants, the IOC EB recommends that International Sports Federations and sports event organisers not invite or allow the participation of Russian and Belarusian athletes and officials in international competitions.
- 2. Wherever this is not possible on short notice for organisational or legal reasons, the IOC EB strongly urges International Sports Federations and organisers of sports events worldwide to do everything in their power to ensure that no athlete or sports official from Russia or Belarus be allowed to take part under the name of Russia or Belarus. Russian or Belarusian nationals, be it as individuals or teams, should be accepted only as neutral athletes or neutral teams. No national symbols, colours, flags or anthems should be displayed.

Wherever, in very extreme circumstances, even this is not possible on short notice for organisational or legal reasons, the IOC EB leaves it to the relevant organisation to find its own way to effectively address the dilemma described above.

In this context, the IOC EB considered in particular the upcoming Paralympic Winter Games Beijing 2022 and reiterated its full support for the International Paralympic Committee (IPC) and the Games.





- 3. The IOC EB maintains its <u>urgent recommendation</u> not to organise any sports event in Russia or Belarus, issued on 25 February 2022.
- 4. The IOC EB has, based on the exceptional circumstances of the situation and considering the extremely grave violation of the Olympic Truce and other violations of the Olympic Charter by the Russian government in the past, taken the ad hoc decision to withdraw the Olympic Order from all persons who currently have an important function in the government of the Russian Federation or other government-related high-ranking position, including the following:
 - Mr Vladimir Putin, President of the Russian Federation (Gold, 2001)
 - Mr Dmitry Chernyshenko, Deputy Prime Minister of the Russian Federation (Gold, 2014)
 - Mr Dmitry Kozak, Deputy Chief of Staff of the Presidential Executive Office (Gold,

2014)

- 5. The IOC EB welcomes and appreciates the many calls for peace by athletes, sports officials and members of the worldwide Olympic Community. The IOC admires and supports in particular the calls for peace by Russian athletes.
- 6. The IOC EB reaffirms its full solidarity with the Ukrainian Olympic Community. They are in our hearts and thoughts. The IOC EB commits to continue and strengthen its efforts for humanitarian assistance. Therefore, the IOC EB has today established a solidarity fund. In this context, the IOC expresses its gratitude to the National Olympic Committees (NOCs) and International Sports Federations that are already supporting Ukrainian athletes and their families.

The Executive Board resolves to adopt the following resolution:

No athlete or sports official from Russia or Belarus be allowed to take part under the name of Russia or Belarus. Russian or Belarusian nationals, be it as individuals or teams, should be accepted only as neutral athletes or neutral teams. No national symbols, colours, flags or anthems should be displayed.

This resolution shall apply until further notice.

Lausanne, March 1st 2022

