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APIMONDIA International Federation of Beekeeping Associations

President of APIMONDIA, Mr. Jeff Pettis

Vice-President of APIMONDIA, Mr. Peter Cosmus

To the Secretary-General of APIMONDIA, Mr. Riccardo Giannoni-Sebastianini

Ladies and Gentlemen, Dear Colleagues,

It is APIMONDIA's policy to bring together beekeepers associations and individual beekeepers from all parts of the world and, as such, is typically a peaceful organisation.

Given the present circumstances, the members of our organisation strongly condemn the illegitimate, barbarian aggression by the Russian Federation against Ukraine.

We wish to express our support for the request by the Ukrainian Brotherhood of Beekeepers of Ukraine and propose to cancel the 2022 APIMONDIA International Beekeepers Congress planned to take place in Ufa, Russia. That location is not a friendly meeting place for the world's beekeepers. What is more, many beekeepers would not be able to take part in the event for safety reasons.

We also propose that the Russian National Beekeepers Association be suspended as a member of the APIMONDIA International Federation of Beekeepers' Associations immediately.

For the Silesian Association of Beekeepers

President of the Silesian Association of Beekeepers
in Katowice

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