

H.E. Mr. António Guterres
Secretary-General of the United Nations

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On the inadmissibility of any negotiations
with the criminal group of Lukashenko

Dear Mr. Secretary-General,

We, representatives of political parties, organizations, movements and initiatives representing the citizens of the Republic of Belarus, the state-founding state of the United Nations, participants in the “Forum of the Democratic Forces of Belarus”, representing the people of Belarus and operating on the basis of Jus Resistendi, demand to stop any contacts at all levels with the criminal group of Lukashenko behind the back of Belarusian people. We draw your attention to the following aspects of the above negotiations and related actions.

According to The Wall Street Journal of May 19, 2022 and the BelTA information agency dated June 3, 2022, was distributed information that the highest representatives of the United Nations were negotiating with representatives of Alexander Lukashenko. The topic of negotiations was the proposal of citizen Lukashenko A.G. to organize the transit of Ukrainian grain through the territory of the Republic of Belarus to the ports of the Baltic countries in order to mitigate the food crisis.

Citizen Lukashenko A.G. And his accomplices illegally seized and forcibly hold power in the Republic of Belarus, according to the conclusion of the Commission of the Supreme Council of the Republic of Belarus of the XIII convocation. This allowed the Russian Federation as a result of many years of expansion to accomplish the actual occupation of Belarus in 2022.

Since 1996, citizen Lukashenko A.G. is not a legitimate president of Belarus and he does not have the right to represent the country. This is a fact confirmed by numerous evidence recognized by an international community.

Citizen Lukashenko A.G. is the head of the criminal group, organized on the model of drug cartels. He and members of his organization can represent only themselves. They are not subjects of international law and cannot be connected by international obligations.

Since 1996, the criminal group Lukashenko has been a partner organization of the Kremlin, and since 2022 it has been the occupation administration of the Russian Federation in the territory of the Republic of Belarus. Thus, the criminal group Lukashenko is not the subject of law and acts exclusively in the interests of the Russian Federation.

Without the participation of the Lukashenko’s regime, the strategic and tactical situation around the conflict of Russia and Ukraine would be different and the act of aggression would

be unlikely. This would not only save many thousands of human lives, but with a high degree of probability would not lead to a grain crisis and a threat of hunger.

Over the past two years, more than fifty thousand people have been repressed for political reasons in Belarus, which was recorded by international organizations. Over one and a half thousand citizens are in prisons for political reasons, hundreds have already been sentenced to long term. Several dozens of people were killed by representatives of the Lukashenko regime. Lukashenko's criminal group amended the legislation providing for the death penalty allegedly for preparing for the crime and far - fetched attempts to commit terrorist crimes. As a result, about a hundred citizens can be executed in Belarus for their political views.

The criminal group of Lukashenko publicly threatens the abductions and the elimination of political opponents in other countries. Human rights in Belarus are rudely violated. In the country, the legal system has been destroyed and arbitrariness reigns.

The people of Belarus have exhausted all means to force the criminal group Lukashenko to comply with the social contract and observe natural human rights. As Ultima Ratio, the people of Belarus, in the person of the signatories, realizes their natural right to an uprising and through it legitimise any actions aimed to remove the Lukashenko's group from power and thus restoring the primacy of human rights and primacy of the law.

From the foregoing it follows that:

1. The only goal of negotiations pursued by citizen A. Lukashenko is to relieve sanctions and to restore financial flows that feed the criminal activity of his regime. Discussing the conditions of grain transit from Ukraine through Belarus by the leadership of the United Nations in exchange for suspension of sanctions against the Lukashenko's regime, is a demonstration of the connivance policy and encouragement of illegal activities.
2. Negotiations with the criminal group of Lukashenko in any form encourage other criminal groups to similar actions. Negotiations of international organizations with criminal groups turn them into subjects of international law. This leads to the destruction of the existing system of the world law and order. The connivance to the Lukashenko group has already led to war in Europe and threatens to lead to a humanitarian catastrophe in the world.
3. The opening of transit through Belarus in the direction of the ports of the Baltic countries will allow the criminal group of Lukashenko and the Russian Federation to establish additional financing of their repressive apparatus by bypassing sanctions, increasing the supply of smuggling, drugs and cigarettes.

In the case of implementing such a scenario in Belarus, repression against citizens will be strengthened within the country, the conditions for the detention of political prisoners will worsen. Financial opportunities will appear for the implementation of threats from the criminal group of Lukashenko regarding the murders and abductions of Belarusian politicians abroad. A similar fact has already occurred in Ukraine in 2016, when opposition journalist Pavel Sheremet was murdered by Belarusian special services.

The regime will also have additional financial possibilities to threaten countries and all the world community. As already occurred in 2021 during the migration crisis on the border of Belarus and the European Union, as well as the forced landing of the Ryanair aircraft. Moreover, this initiative will take a step towards the legitimization and recognition of the citizen Lukashenko A.G. as president of Belarus, which is unacceptable for the democratic community of Belarus.

4. It should be noted that any agreements with the criminal group of Lukashenko are also agreements with the Russian Federation. This happens behind the backs of people of Belarus, who are fighting for their freedom and independence. Responsibility for the consequences of cooperation with the criminal group of Lukashenko lies with participants in such separate negotiations.

5. An integral condition for any negotiations with the criminal group of Lukashenko is the unconditional liberation of all political prisoners and cessation of political repressions in Belarus.

6. It is unacceptable to discuss the fate of Belarus behind the back of the Belarusian people with the criminal group of Lukashenko, who illegally seized power in the country.

7. We remind you of the right of the people of Belarus to use the principle of Jus Resistendi to free the country from tyranny and from the occupation in a way that fits people of Belarus. This cannot be questioned or limited by anyone.

Please do not hesitate to contact us on this issue.

With respect,

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