## **CNDP** (India): Statement on Ukraine

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Coalition for Nuclear Disarmament and Peace The Coalition for Nuclear Disarmament and Peace (CNDP) India, expresses its grave concern at the situation in Ukraine. The

CNDP calls for an immediate end to the invasion and for wide-ranging peace talks covering all the relevant issues—including security guarantees for the Russian Federation, the freedom and rights of the people of Ukraine which includes the legitimate concerns of the Russian-speaking regions in Ukraine.

We are concerned about statements made by the Ukrainian government about the acquisition of nuclear weapons. We are further concerned that Russia, which has nuclear weapons, has actually hinted at their possible use. Both Russia and the United States, that backs the Ukrainian government, are armed to the hilt with nuclear weapons. Even a misunderstanding can easily have devastating consequences. Moreover, should there be any bombing by accident or otherwise on the still highly radioactive zone around Chernobyl or at any other nuclear plant the consequences would be disastrous.

The CNDP urges the Government of India to play an active role towards seeking a peaceful resolution to the conflict, and also to take requisite steps to safeguard the interests of Indian citizens residing in Ukraine."

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