Letter of protest to President Putin of Russia

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Letter of protest to President Putin of Russia via the Russian Embassy in Tokyo.

Stop the war NOW!

President Vladimir Putin

Russian Federation

February 25, 2022

Letter of Protest:

We firmly protest against the outrageous invasion of Ukraine;

President Putin must immediately cease military operations and withdraw Russian troops

Dear President,

Despite the protests of citizens and governments all over the world, you have forced the recognition of the “independence” of two regions in eastern Ukraine and the deployment of Russian troops, and on February 24th you launched a military attack on Kiev and other parts of Ukraine. This is a clear act of aggression and we reiterate our protest.

Whatever the reason, a unilateral military attack on a sovereign state is a grave criminal offence against the UN Charter, and we urge an immediate halt to the military operation and the withdrawal of Russian troops.

At the start of the military invasion of Ukraine, you have threatened to use nuclear weapons, saying that Russia is now one of the most powerful nuclear powers in the world and that a direct attack on Russia would lead to the destruction of the aggressor and disastrous consequences.

The use of nuclear weapons can only lead to mass destruction and inhumane and catastrophic consequences, as the bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki have shown. Your statement is a challenge to humanity and the world, and contrary to the Joint Statement of the Five Nuclear-Weapon States, which you yourself signed: “Nuclear war has no winners and must never be fought”. As a movement of the A-bombed nation, we firmly protest and urge you to act for the total abolition of nuclear weapons.

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