

Congress of the United States
Washington, DC 20515

April 4, 2022

The Honorable Joseph R. Biden
President of the United States
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear President Biden,

As members of the House Armed Services, Intelligence, and Foreign Affairs Committees, as well as members of the bipartisan Ukraine Caucus, we have had substantial interactions with Ukrainian representatives and U.S. national security professionals regarding the situation on the ground in Ukraine and the specific needs for the Ukrainian military and Territorial Defense Forces. We recognize that the United States and its allies and partners have already provided substantial military aid in response to the Russian invasion, including a portion of the \$13.6 billion in emergency funds through the FY22 Omnibus Appropriations bill. However, Ukrainians are clear that more needs to be done for Ukraine to win this war.

Based on our engagements, oversight, and specific requests by Ukrainian officials, we believe there are three critical areas where further U.S. assistance is necessary:

Defend the Skies Over Ukraine

- Increase resupply of Stinger missiles and other air defense systems that have already been provided to defend Ukraine. The Ukrainian military, due to low stocks, is pacing themselves and cannot engage in the full measure of resistance.
- Provide Long-Range Surface-to-Air Missile (SAM) Systems. Currently, the Ukrainians are unable to intercept high-altitude targets. There is an urgent need for long-range SAM systems to protect against the rockets coming from Russian military units and ships.
- Equip the Ukrainian Air Force with aircraft that can fight air to air, and air to ground. Ukrainian forces are skillfully using their fighter aircraft, but they are running low and need to be resupplied as damage to the existing aircraft is diminishing Ukraine's air capabilities. Ukraine has more than enough pilots trained to fly additional aircraft if supplied. Additional aircraft would also allow Ukrainian forces to provide a more adequate defense of urban areas like Kharkiv and Mariupol, where numerous civilian casualties have occurred following Russian attacks.
- Provide a greater range of unmanned aerial systems (UAS) capabilities. Providing Ukraine more advanced UAS capable of longer ranges (e.g. Bayraktar TB-2), will allow them to better disrupt Russian supply lines and counter Russian siege tactics, especially in Eastern Ukraine. Providing additional offensive strike capabilities (e.g. Switchblade

300) and UAS to conduct intelligence, surveillance, and reconnaissance missions (e.g. Fly-Eye 3.0, WARMITE 3.0) is necessary to counter Russian UAS and inform Ukrainian military decisions.

- Provide additional tactical radar and counter-fire systems. Providing both tactical radar systems (e.g. LSTAR, SRC V2/V3, Squire, AN/MPQ-64) and counter-fire radar systems (e.g. AN/TPQ-36, AN/TPQ-37, AN/TPQ-49, and AN/TPQ-50) will expand early-warning capabilities and allow Ukraine to use their counter-battery fire systems more effectively
- Provide electronic warfare (EW) systems. Providing EW systems to counter Russian drones and jam communication lines would severely degrade Russian military operations.

Counter Russian Naval Attacks

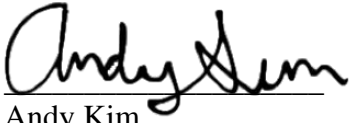
- Provide anti-ship missiles. Russian naval vessels are currently launching attacks against Ukrainian civilians and being used to resupply ground forces. In addition to missile defense capabilities to counter these strikes, Ukraine could use anti-ship missiles to target the Russian fleet, and the U.S. should provide these weapons to Ukraine.

Increase Ukrainian Ground Combat Capabilities

- Similar to the request for Stinger missiles, Ukraine is requesting increased flow of Javelin missiles and other anti-tank assets. We should fulfill this request and ensure we have sufficient production levels of Javelins and Stingers to provide supplies to Ukraine and to backfill stocks of allies.
- Provide additional missile, rocket, and artillery systems (e.g. Buk-M1, Tochka-U, MLRS, and M109 Paladin) to increase Ukraine's offensive strike capability.
- Supply additional armored vehicles. Ukraine is involved in fierce urban combat where additional armored vehicles would allow them to better defend these areas and conduct a greater number of medical evacuations.
- Supply advanced weapons optics, spotting equipment, and personal night vision devices (e.g. TSR-1X Red Dot Sight, AO-4465 thermal sight, and PVS-14/PVS-31) to expand the operational capability of Ukrainian warfighters.
- Provide Role I and Role II capable mobile hospitals to rapidly provide additional medical support to military personnel and Role III field hospital center capabilities across the border in Poland.

Thank you very much for your time and attention to our requests. Ukraine has provided a list of seventeen urgent needs of the Armed Forces of Ukraine in priority order to Congress and the administration. We hope to work with you to provide Ukraine with as much equipment as possible from this list in a timely manner. If you are unable to fulfill any of the requests, we respectfully request your reasoning as to why certain items cannot be provided. This is the time to reaffirm our commitment to defending democracy abroad, and we offer you our assistance in the defense of Ukraine in cooperation with our allies. We look forward to working together to ensure a free and independent Ukraine.

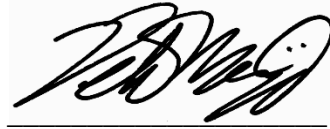
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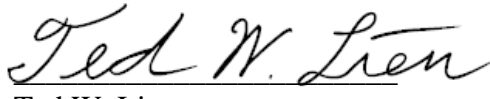
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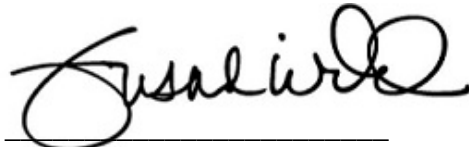
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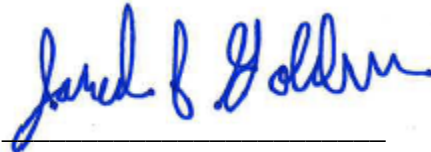
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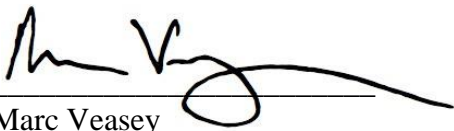
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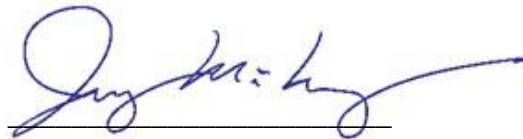
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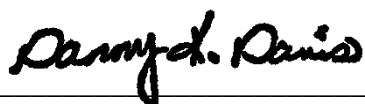
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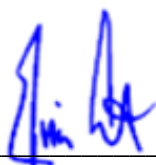
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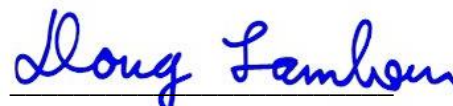
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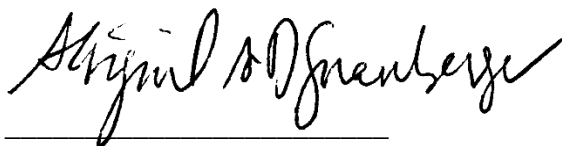
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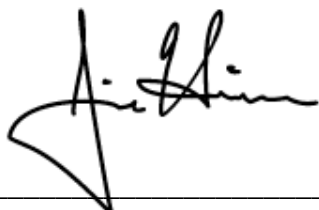
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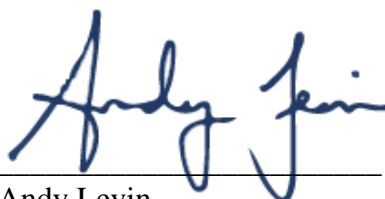
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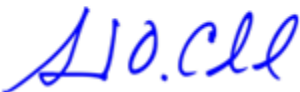
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