

High-level consultations

- On February 22 PM Viktor Orbán discussed the Russian-Ukrainian situation in a phone call with Ukraine's President Volodymyr Zelensky, and assured him of Hungary's continued support for Ukraine's sovereignty and territorial integrity.
- On February 24 PM Orbán stated that together with our European Union and NATO allies, Hungary condemns Russia's military attack
- On February 25 Hungary has offered Budapest as a safe location for peace negotiations between Russia and Ukraine
- On February 27 Péter Szijjártó Minister of Foreign Affairs met Viktor Mikita, Governor of Transcarpathia at the Hungarian-Ukrainian border crossing in Záhony to reassure the Ukrainian Governor on Hungary's firm support in mitigating the humanitarian catastrophe in Ukraine.

Sanctions

Hungary has agreed on all EU sanctions as a joint response in the framework of the EU, inter alia:

- financial sanctions on Russian banks and companies,
- sanctions with respect to access to the SWIFT payment system
- certain restrictive measures on the energy sector,
- export control measures on dual-use technologies,
- freezing of personal assets of certain individuals including Russian President Vladimir Putin and Foreign Minister Sergey Lavrov and other individuals.

Hungary has also supported

- the flight ban on Russian planes by the EU,
- the initiative to send weapons to Ukraine within the framework of the European Peace Facility (EPF),
- Ukraine's EU membership candidate status "as soon as possible",
- Ukraine's accession to the NATO Cooperative Cyber Defence Centre of Excellence,
- reverse gas deliveries to Ukraine,
- the EU's Temporary Protection Directive to help Ukrainians fleeing their country.

Humanitarian assistance and situation on the border

- Up until today (*March 8*), approximately 179.000 people have crossed the border from Ukraine.
- We also keep a humanitarian corridor open for everyone deciding to flee Ukraine, allowing them to enter without visa or any major restrictions and ensuring adequate legal protection for them.
- All border-crossing stations are operating at full capacity and Hungary has taken all the necessary measures to be able to receive refugees who may need shelter.
- 9 hospitals – close to the Ukrainian border – have been designated to provide medical care for those in need.
- An exemplary cooperation has been established between the Ukrainian border police and the Hungarian police.
- Hungary has launched one of its largest humanitarian relief operations, providing medical supplies, food, water, hygiene and childcare products and other essential goods to Ukraine.
- The Hungarian government has already provided 1.6 million USD to the Hungarian Interchurch Aid to support its humanitarian work, supplied 26 thousand gallons of fuel, donated 28 tons of food aid and is currently donating 120 ventilators to Ukrainian health institutions; more than 580 thousand USD donation has been made through the national helpline (1357).
- In the next step, Hungary decided to allocate further 3.9 million USD to charity organizations, including the Hungarian Red Cross and the Hungarian Interchurch Aid.
- We offered the opportunity to Indian students who left the country due to the war to continue their studies in Hungary.
- The Ministry of Defence donated medical supplies to Ukraine in the value of 421 thousand USD and to continue the treatment of wounded Ukrainian soldiers in Hungary.
- NATO has asked Hungary to allow its staff to be sheltered by the Hungarian Embassy in Kyiv, which we agreed to immediately. We also provided help to the Kyiv staff of the CoE and the OSCE. Unfortunately, we had to evacuate our embassy in Kyiv and relocate it to Lviv for the time being, but our consulates in Beregszász (Berehove) and Ungvar (Uzhgorod) are working around the clock to help people flee the country.