

A message of solidarity and support from the UK Chief Scout to the National Organization of the Scouts of Ukraine

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My fellow Scouts,

On behalf of all Scouts in the UK, I send a strong message of solidarity and support to you, our fellow Scouts in Ukraine at this incredibly difficult time.

Like our Scouting friends around the world, we are deeply distressed by the situation unfolding in your country. We admire your great resilience and courage as you face these heart-breaking events and send our prayers for a deescalation of the crisis and a peaceful resolution.

As Scouts we are committed to peace and international friendship. We believe in our shared values of kindness, care, cooperation and most importantly, respect for all.

We know these events must be especially hard on young people, anxious about the future and concerned about their families' safety and security. Please know that you're not alone in this crisis. Here in the UK, our whole Scout movement is thinking of you and extends the hand of friendship and support.

At times like these, we stand shoulder to shoulder with our friends in crisis, and remind ourselves we're part of a worldwide family of Scouts.

Now is the moment for us to live our promise to help other people. Please know that you are in our thoughts, and we pray for your safety and that of your families and your country.

Yours in friendship,

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