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**AN OPEN LETTER
FROM THE CENTRAL COUNCIL OF
THE UNION OF TATARS IN THE REPUBLIC OF POLAND**

We, **Tatars living in Poland**, empathise with and spiritually support our **brotherly Crimean Tatars** in their struggle for Independence and sovereignty of their country.

We are with you!

We appeal to the Russian authorities and the World's politicians who care about stability in Europe to take action to find a peaceful solution to these issues in the spirit of humanism and the social norms of the 21st century.

We remember what feuds fueled by national animosities, such as those experienced by Europe in the former Yugoslavia, can lead to. May this experience and historical memory make us wiser.

We appeal to all sides

– only dialogue, peaceful settlements can build consent.

We stress that the Russian Federation is bound by the 1994 Budapest Memorandum to guarantee the sovereignty and territorial integrity of Ukraine.

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