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Mrs. Bettina Limperg
President

Network of the Presidents
of the Supreme Judicial Courts
of the European Union

Dear President,

It was of a great pleasure to have the opportunity of meeting all together this week in Paris.

Unfortunately, in the last few days the international situation has changed so drastically that I am addressing you, Dear Colleague, in your capacity as the President of the Network of the Presidents of the Supreme Judicial Courts of the European Union in order to propose issuing of a statement by our Network, that would react for the flagrant breach of international law and support Ukrainian judiciary.

Each military aggression results in casualties and atrocities, which constitutes severe breach of the international law, violation of Human Rights and of our common European values. Therefore, I am kindly asking for a prompt and firm reaction of the Network to the breach of the peace committed by Russia in Ukraine, which is inconceivable in 21st century Europe.

While confronted with a flagrant breach of international law, we should more than ever stand together, emphasise our unity as the highest judicial instances of European Union and express our solidarity with Ukrainian judges as well as offer them all possible assistance.

As I consider the issue of the utmost urgency and importance, in order to assure a prompt reaction I am forwarding this message to the Board of the Network.

Once again, I assure you of my highest considerations.

Best regards,

dr hab. Małgorzata Manowska

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