

MDA No.: 1387

Title: Letter to the Mayor of Kyiv

1. Executive Summary

- 1.1 At the London Assembly Mayor's Question Time meeting on 24 February 2022 the Assembly resolved:

That authority be delegated to the Chair, in consultation with party Group Leaders, to agree a letter to the Mayor of Kyiv.

- 1.2 Following consultation with party Group Leaders, the Chair agreed to write to the Mayor of Kyiv on behalf of the London Assembly, as attached at **Appendix 1**.

2. Decision

- 2.1 That the Chair, in consultation with party Group Leaders, agree a letter to the Mayor of Kyiv, as attached at **Appendix 1**.

Assembly Member

I confirm that I do not have any disclosable pecuniary interests in the proposed decision and take the decision in compliance with the Code of Conduct for elected Members of the Authority.

The above request has my approval.

Signature:



Printed Name: Andrew Boff

Date: 25 February 2022

3. Decision by an Assembly Member under Delegated Authority

Background and proposed next steps:

- 3.1 Following international events on the 24 February 2022, at the meeting of Mayor's Question Time that same day, the Assembly agreed that authority be delegated to the Chair, in consultation with relevant party Group Leaders, to write a letter to the Mayor of Kyiv on behalf of the London Assembly, to express support for the people of Kyiv and for the whole of Ukraine.
- 3.2 The exercise of delegated authority approving the letter will be formally noted at the next appropriate meeting of the GLA Oversight Committee.

Confirmation that appropriate delegated authority exists for this decision:

Signature (Committee Services): F.Bywaters

Printed Name: Fiona Bywaters

Date: 25 February 2022

Telephone Number: 07825 028 318

Financial Implications: NOT REQUIRED

Note: Finance comments and signature are required only where there are financial implications arising or the potential for financial implications.

Signature (Finance): Not Required

Printed Name: N/A

Date: N/A

Telephone Number: N/A

Legal Implications:

The Chairman of the London Assembly has the power to make the decision set out in this report.

Signature (Legal): 

Printed Name: Emma Strain, Monitoring Officer

Date: 25 February 2022

Telephone Number: 020 7983 6550

Supporting Detail / List of Consultees:

- Len Duvall AM

- Susan Hall AM
- Caroline Russell AM
- Caroline Pidgeon MBE AM

4. Public Access to Information

- 4.1 Information in this form (Part 1) is subject to the FoIA, or the EIR and will be made available on the GLA Website, usually within one working day of approval.
- 4.2 If immediate publication risks compromising the implementation of the decision (for example, to complete a procurement process), it can be deferred until a specific date. Deferral periods should be kept to the shortest length strictly necessary.
- 4.3 **Note:** this form (Part 1) will either be published within one working day after it has been approved or on the defer date.

Part 1 - Deferral:

Is the publication of Part 1 of this approval to be deferred? NO

If yes, until what date:

Part 2 – Sensitive Information:

Only the facts or advice that would be exempt from disclosure under FoIA or EIR should be included in the separate Part 2 form, together with the legal rationale for non-publication.

Is there a part 2 form? NO

Lead Officer / Author

Signature: F. Bywaters

Printed Name: Fiona Bywaters

Job Title: Committee Services Manager

Date: 25 February 2022

Telephone Number: 07825 028 318

Countersigned by Executive Director:

Signature: 

Printed Name: Helen Ewen

Date: 25 February 2022

Telephone Number: 07729 10898



Andrew Boff AM
Chair of the London Assembly

Vitali Klitschko
Mayor of Kyiv
Via the Embassy of Ukraine
60 Holland Park
London, W11 3SJ

(Sent by email)

25 February 2022

Dear Mr Klitschko,

I am writing to you to express the London Assembly's support for the people of Kyiv and for the whole of Ukraine.

The London Assembly condemns the action taken by Russian military forces in Ukraine and on behalf of all Assembly Members, I write to express our solidarity with the people of Kyiv at this deeply distressing time. Our thoughts are with you and with all citizens of Kyiv, and the London Assembly wishes to express our strongest support to you in such difficult circumstances for your city and your country.

This will be a disconcerting time for many, not least the many Ukrainians living in London. I also wish to express the Assembly's support for Ukrainian Londoners at this time and our thoughts are particularly with them. There will undoubtedly be many people worried for the safety of their family and friends in Ukrainian cities – we stand united with them today and offer our friendship and support.

Yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Andrew Boff'. The signature is fluid and cursive.

Andrew Boff AM
Chair of the London Assembly

