

Dear Prime Minister,

We, the undersigned, write to you concerning the situation of the close to 100,000 Ukrainian orphans who are left behind in Ukraine.

According to Save the Children, an international non-governmental organisation, among the millions of children still in Ukraine there are up to 100,000 orphans housed in close to 700 children's homes. Half of them are said to be disabled. These children are at increased risk of exploitation, abuse, neglect and trafficking. Only a few thousand orphaned children have been evacuated so far. There are concerns that these children will be left behind.

These children require our urgent assistance, with evacuation and with finding them a home.

We call upon you to work with States and international bodies to ensure that these children are evacuated and provided with assistance. We further call upon you to work with partners to prevent the high risk of them becoming victims of human trafficking.

We cannot leave these vulnerable children behind in Ukraine as Putin's war rages on.

We have a duty to protect the most vulnerable members of our society.

We look forward to hearing from you as soon as possible.

Yours sincerely,

**Brendan O'Hara MP**, Scottish National Party MP for Argyll and Bute

**Yasmin Qureshi MP**, Labour MP for Bolton South East

**The Baroness Kennedy of The Shaws QC**, Labour Peer at the UK House of Lords

**The Lord Alton of Liverpool**, Crossbench Peer at the UK House of Lords

**The Baroness Cox**, Crossbench Peer at the UK House of Lords

**The Rt Hon. the Baroness D'Souza CMG**, Crossbench Peer at the UK House of Lords

**The Rt Hon. the Baroness Northover**, LibDem Peer at the UK House of Lords

**The Rt Hon Sir Jeffrey Donaldson MP**, Leader, Democratic Unionist Party

**Dr Lisa Cameron MP**, SNP MP for East Kilbride, Strathaven and Lesmahagow,

**Chris Law MP**, SNP MP for Dundee West

**His Eminence Archbishop Angaelos**, Coptic Orthodox Archbishop of London

**Rt Revd Philip Mounstephen**, Bishop of Truro

**Dr Ewelina U. Ochab**, IBAHRI programme lawyer

**Emily Foale**, IBAHRI Project Manager for Media Freedom

**Dr Krish Kandiah**, Founder Sanctuary Foundation

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**Chris Whitehouse MA FRSA KCSG**, Trustee, Right To Life charity

**David Campanale**, Liberal Democrat parliamentary spokesperson, Sutton & Cheam

**Aarif Abraham**, barrister

**Timothy Cho**, Conservative Candidate for Denton South Ward

**Andrew Copson**, Chief Executive, Humanists UK

**Yasmin Waljee OBE**, partner

**Prof. John Packer**, Professeur Neuberger-Jesin, University of Ottawa

**Ján Figel'**, EU Commissioner for Education, Culture and Youth 2004-9

**Sam Mason**, CEO of Humanitarian Aid Relief Trust (HART)

**Joe Collins**, Co-Executive Director at Yet Again UK

**Jaya Pathak**, Co-Executive Director at Yet Again UK

**Professor Elizabeth A. Clark**, Associate Director, ICLRS

**Emma Dipper**, Director, Gender and Religious Freedom

**Ji Hyun Park**, North Korea Human Rights Activist

**Revd Bonnie Evans-Hills**, priest and convener, InterFaith Relations Committee, Scottish Episcopal Church

**Federica D'Alessandra**, Deputy Director of the Blavatnik School of Government's Institute for Ethics, Law, and Armed Conflict

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**Rachel Miner**, Executive Director, Bellwether International