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## RAIL INDUSTRY'S APPEAL TO IMPLEMENT FULL AND COMPLETE SANCTIONS AGAINST THE RUSSIAN AND BELARUSIAN RAILWAYS

Acting in the capacity of representatives of the Polish railway industry, we fully support the Ukrainian Railways' appeal to implement comprehensive closure of the key components of Russian and Belarusian war machine i.e. The Russian Railways and The Belarusian Railways. Both railway operators are actively participating in an unjust, brutal war, providing logistical support to the Russian and Belarusian armies and services. Thus, every Polish zloty or euro earned by the Russian Railways and the Belarusian Railways can be - and in all likelihood is - used to further the criminal objectives of the war, including the transportation of weapons to attack both military and civilian targets.

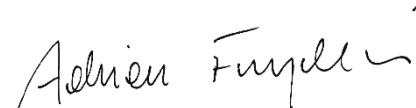
Given the above, we request the Polish government to take immediate steps to have the European Commission take an immediate decision on the sanctions on maritime, railway and road transport between the European Union and Russia and Belarus, similar to the full closure of airspace applied in the air transport. At the same time we appeal to impose full sanctions on the Russian Railways and the Belarusian Railways.

This is a painful measure for the industry and for our customers, but it is absolutely necessary to stop supporting the Russian and Belarusian war machine directed towards Ukraine.

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