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The Government of Eritrea is alarmed by the arising tensions between Russia and Ukraine and its escalation into armed conflict in the region has raised unprecedented concern for world peace. The mobilization of Russian troops in Ukraine brings into question the territorial integrity and sovereignty of Ukraine and as it is enshrined in the Charter of the United Nations, Eritrea firmly expresses the belief that respect for a nation's territorial integrity and sovereignty should be regarded as an unimpeachable principle in the strides for world peace. Having experienced three long decades of armed conflict, the destruction of our lands and massacre of our innocent people by our northernmost neighbors, our government cannot condone any acts of destruction and threats to a country's sovereignty.

Eritrea reaffirms our position to resolve the Russia-Ukraine crisis through bilateral means and will continue deplore to any talks of unilateral sanctions against Russia, which we believe is counterproductive and may yield significant repercussions for modern international relations as our country has been subjected to unilateral sanctions by the west which do not resolve conflicts but intensifies it, any unilateral sanction against Russia may escalate tensions in the region and as such, we believe that the best solution is to call for more diplomatic and peaceful efforts.

We propose that:

- Russia ceases military operations in Ukraine and call for immediate resolution between Russia and Ukraine and a return to diplomacy.
- Territorial integrity must be upheld.
- A peaceful resolution be developed in conformity with international law and consideration of the values enshrined in the Charter of the United Nations.
- The Russian Government and the Ukrainian government resolve this crisis quickly and by means of bilateral resolution and not unilaterally.



To conclude, the Government of Eritrea regretfully deplores any unilateral resolution by the United Nations General Assembly and expresses our confidence that Russia and Ukraine can and will welcome talks for diplomatic and peaceful resolution in the interest of the people of the region and the international community and world peace.