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ICRC DELEGATION IN UKRAINE

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PRESERVING LIVES AND DIGNITY IN THE MIDST OF WAR

In 2022, the ICRC's humanitarian response in Ukraine has significantly scaled up to become its largest globally, with a budget of nearly UAH 14 billion (CHF 352 million) and a workforce of 800 staff. The ICRC's main priority has been to assist and protect people affected by the devastating effects of the international armed conflict between the Russian Federation and Ukraine, with a focus on the most vulnerable people – on both sides of the frontlines.

Following eight years of protracted hostilities in the Donbas, the escalation of the international armed conflict since 24 February 2022 has generated immense destruction and human suffering. Hundreds of thousands of people have lost their lives and livelihoods, been injured or gone missing. Millions have been displaced within Ukraine or across borders. Devastating disruption and damage to essential services and civilian infrastructure have brought hardship to millions of people, compounded by energy shortages and daily uncertainties. The most vulnerable, including children, the elderly, the wounded and the sick are the most affected and consequently those who suffer the most.

To respond to this unprecedented situation, the ICRC has worked hard to provide critical emergency relief in some of the most affected or hard-to-reach areas, to both resident communities and internally displaced persons (IDP). It has coordinated its action with central and local authorities, as well as with the Ukrainian Red Cross Society (URCS), to ensure and maximise the provision of essential aid such as cash assistance, livelihood support or health care. At the same time, the ICRC has been supporting the functioning and repair of critical infrastructure, in particular the production and delivery of water, electricity and heating. Living and housing conditions of civilians have been improved, while Red Cross volunteers, civil servants and communities have been made aware of risk-mitigation measures linked to weapon contamination.

Respect for international humanitarian law (IHL) has been a constant concern for the ICRC, in order to preserve the safety, physical and emotional integrity, and dignity of those affected by the armed conflict, including civilians, prisoners of war (POWs), separated families and deceased or missing persons. Thanks to the collaboration between the Geneva-based Central Tracing Agency Bureau (CTA-B) and National Information Bureaus (NIBs) in Ukraine and the Russian Federation, thousands of families have been informed about the whereabouts or status of their detained or missing relatives. Meanwhile, in spite of persistent challenges in terms of access, the ICRC has been the only international organization mandated and allowed to visit POWs held by the two parties to the armed conflict. The ICRC has also facilitated the repatriation of hundreds of fallen Ukrainian servicemen, in coordination with the Ministry of Reintegration of the Temporarily Occupied Territories and the Commissioner for Missing Persons in Special Circumstances.

In Ukraine, the ICRC has continued its close cooperation with the URCS, the largest local humanitarian actor in Ukraine, alongside with the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC) and the 14 partner National Societies present in-country to respond in an effective and coordinated fashion to the needs of affected communities and to support the capacity building, strengthening and longer-term development of the URCS. Together, the Red Cross is one of the first responders to the international armed conflict across Ukraine.

PREVENTION AND PROTECTION

URGING RESPECT FOR IHL TO PRESERVE LIVES AND DIGNITY

In order to preserve the safety and dignity of those affected by the armed conflict, the ICRC monitors the respect of international humanitarian law (IHL), documents on the ground alleged violations of IHL, and discusses its findings in a confidential and bilateral dialogue with the parties to the conflict. The ICRC also documents the conditions and treatment of POWs and other persons deprived of their liberty, and endeavours to protect, maintain, and restore the links between separated family members.

Ensuring respect for IHL during conduct of hostilities

Parties to an armed conflict have an obligation to "respect and ensure respect for IHL in all circumstances." (Art. 1 common to the Geneva Conventions). The ICRC is mandated to document allegations of IHL violations and discuss confidentially with the parties to the conflict corrective actions that can be taken to prevent further violations. In 2022, the ICRC submitted over **100** interventions and recommendations to both parties to ensure respect for IHL.

IHL training has also been carried out by the ICRC in collaboration with the **Armed Forces of Ukraine (AFU)** and Law Enforcement officers. In 2022, **377** AFU officers and **404** Law Enforcement officers were trained in **31** sessions.

Protecting prisoners of war

The ICRC conducted regular visits to places of detention to register POWs and civilian internees and monitor their internment conditions in collaboration with the **Ministry of Justice** and the **Coordination Headquarters for the Treatment of Prisoners of War**. In **35** places of detention, the ICRC assisted the penitentiary authorities with essential items for prisoners such as blankets, warm clothes, food and hygiene kits. The ICRC also donated mattresses, heaters, drugs, medical equipment, and water tanks to the various detention centres visited. In addition, the

ICRC provided several training sessions to officers of penitentiary institutions on the treatment of POWs.

Bringing much awaited news and protecting family links

In the aftermath of 24 February 2022, the ICRC's **Central Tracing Agency** activated its bureau (CTA-B) dedicated to responding to needs arising from the international armed conflict between the Russian Federation and Ukraine. The CTA-B has a conventional mandate to act as a neutral intermediary between the parties to the conflict - through the parties' respective **National Information Bureau** - by collecting, centralising and transmitting - from one side to the other - information relative to protected persons in enemy hands, alive or dead, military or civilian.

Since February 2022, the ICRC has shared information with families on over **3,250** sought persons and persons deprived of their liberty, has helped to transmit **276** Red Cross messages and **534** oral messages between Ukrainian POWs and their families. The ICRC also facilitated the exchange **4,637** letters between Ukrainian POWs and their families through the NIBs via the CTA-B.

Supporting families of POWs, missing, wounded and dead

In 2022, in continuation of its work initiated in 2014, the ICRC has assisted with cash assistance **202** vulnerable families of POWs and relatives of persons whose whereabouts are unknown. The ICRC also provided financial assistance to some **1,279** families whose relatives sustained injuries or passed away due to the conflict. In addition to individual assistance, the ICRC has been working closely with **9** associations of families of POWs, civilian internees or missing, providing them with financial and legal support, as well as training on advocacy and psychosocial support.



The ICRC brings news much-awaited news to families about the fate and whereabouts of prisoners of war.

Supporting dignified treatment of the dead

The ICRC is one of the main international organizations working on forensic-related matters and supporting Ukraine's medicolegal system in ensuring the respectful handling of mortal remains. In 2022, the ICRC has supported 40 medicolegal structures of the Ministry of Health, National Police of Ukraine and AFU with technical and material assistance to provide dignified treatment for dead civilians and servicemen during the search and recovery process, restore their identities and provide answers to the families regarding their fates and whereabouts. Among other contributions, 10 refrigerated containers, 6 refrigerated trucks, over 640,000 personal protective equipment (PPE) items and around 48,000 body bags have been donated.

Since February 2022, in collaboration with the Ministry of Reintegration of the Temporarily Occupied Territories and the Commissioner for Missing Persons in Special Circumstances, the ICRC has participated as a neutral intermediary in 18 operations of transfer of human remains between Ukraine and Russia, providing technical advice and material support and contributing to the repatriation of deceased Ukrainian servicemen in a dignified manner. In coordination with the Central Civil-Military Cooperation

Directorate of the General Staff of the AFU, the ICRC also trained close to 180 members of the AFU and Territorial Defense Forces in IHL, forensic humanitarian action and search and recovery of bodies.

Increasing awareness about weapon contamination and mitigating risks

In 2022, capacity building for State Emergency Service of Ukraine (SESU) pyrotechnic teams and Police Explosive Ordnance Disposal (EOD) teams has been a major project, focused on support in frontline areas where the civilian population is at risk. Donations of 80,000 'danger mines' awareness materials, exemplifies the immediate response designed to mitigate the explosive hazards. Provision of medical equipment and specialist medical training for 81 officers have enhanced medical capabilities of SESU. With the provision of explosive ordnance reconnaissance, non-technical survey and blast trauma courses, the ICRC has increased SESU's capacity to reduce the hazards posed by the explosive remnants of war. The number of SESU trained personnel in 2022 was 343.

The provision of chemical, biological, radiological and nuclear (CBRN) equipment to SESU has focused on the delivery of an immediate response capability. The equipment and training for SESU's first responders included self-contained breathing equipment and protection suits. This capability complements the planned rollout of CBRN equipment for **Ministry of Health's** hospitals in Dnipro and Zaporizhzhia, along with the provision of a follow-up CBRN capability for SESU. The hospital programme includes equipment and training for medical staff to be able to respond effectively to a mass casualty incident, following the potential release of harmful chemicals.

The Risk Awareness and Safe Behaviour (RASB) programme is one that has been jointly run with the **URCS** and **SESU** education programmes. The ICRC has directly reached **16,190** people and, through on-line teaching, an additional **79,000**. Through training of

trainers, the ICRC had its biggest impact. By training **118** RASB trainers, a further **1,255** lessons were organised beyond what the ICRC has delivered itself.

Facilitating safe passages

As a neutral intermediary and in agreement with the parties to the conflict, the ICRC facilitated evacuations and safe passage operations for some **10,500** civilians fleeing from heavily impacted locations such as Mariupol and Sumy.

A safe passage operation to help evacuate civilians from Azovstal and the Mariupol area. The ICRC has helped facilitate the safe passage of more than 10,000 civilians from Sumy and Mariupol to safer locations in Ukraine.



SUPPORT TO ESSENTIAL SERVICES AND CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE

LIFESAVING AND OTHER HEALTH-CARE SERVICES

Many lives have been shattered by the international armed conflict and thousands of people have suffered from physical or psychological trauma. In 2022, the ICRC strove to ensure the continuity of care for people in need of medical and psychological assistance. The ICRC supported medical facilities located in areas most affected by the armed conflict with donations of medical items and equipment, drugs, as well as kits for the treatment of the wounded and sick. It also participated in medical evacuations and prehospital emergency medical treatment, and provided mental health and psychosocial support services and training to first responders.

Supporting emergency services and ensuring continuity of care

In complement of the Ministry of Health's actions to ensure continuity of health services, the ICRC supported health facilities located close to the frontlines, with a focus on surgical needs for the wounded and access of the most vulnerable population to drugs for chronic diseases.

170 hospitals, primary health care centres and blood banks in Chernihiv, Dnipro, Donetsk, Kyiv, Sumy and Zaporizhzhia regions received essential medical items, surgical instruments and equipment, including Intensive care unit monitoring systems and respiratory support, medical imaging and specific

laboratory equipment. This included the delivery of war wounded kits for the support of over 4,000 surgical procedures, the distribution of primary health medical items to cover the needs in a catchment area of up to 100,000 people. 250,000 vials of insulin were donated to the Ministry of Health to support the continuum of care of insulin dependent diabetic patients. Specialised laboratory equipment was provided to the Kyiv Regional Blood Service center and medical supplies were donated to 5 regional blood bank centers. In order to support access and continuation of treatment, cash assistance to 1,359 individuals was provided.

In the regions of Donetsk, Luhansk, Mykolaiv and Odesa, ICRC ambulances assisted the medical evacuation, transportation and pre-hospital care of 708 patients from conflict-affected areas to the nearest hospital or health facility where wounded and sick or people with disabilities could be assisted. With the support of the URCS, 128 patients requiring special medical assistance were medically evacuated from Mykholaiv region to Moldova.

More than 17,000 first aid/trauma kits were distributed to the State Emergency Service of Ukraine (SESU), the URCS, the National Police of Ukraine and the AFU to address immediate first aid needs. Since 2022, the ICRC has also been collaborating with the Center of Emergency and Disaster Medicine to contribute to their emergency response capacity in terms of training and equipment.

In addition to supporting 170 medical facilities on both sides of the frontline, 708 wounded and sick people were assisted with medical evacuation, such as this elderly woman, whose nursing home in Mykolaiv was damaged on the outset of hostilities.





URCS volunteers with children from an Internally Displaced People (IDP) centre in Mykolaiv during a Mental Health and Psychosocial Support training designed to help the helpers.

Enhancing access and quality of physical rehabilitation services

Armed conflict poses challenges and risks for injured people and persons with disabilities. Accessing basic amenities like water, sanitation, food, shelter or health care becomes more difficult and dangerous. In 2022, over 1,600 physically disabled people, weapon wounded, vulnerable children and older persons benefited from direct ICRC support. More specifically, through financial support, the ICRC has enhanced access to physical rehabilitation services, medical and social institutions.

In Vinnytsia, the ICRC donated mobility devices and provided training sessions and mentoring to 122 medical personnel working in 3 hospitals and 1 prosthetics and orthotics enterprise to improve the quality of physiotherapy treatments.

Providing and enhancing psychosocial support

The armed conflict has not only caused physical wounds. Tens of thousands of people have been exposed to traumatic events and carry long-term psychological scars. In 2022, the ICRC provided

mental health and psychosocial support to 1,528 individuals. Activities included direct psychosocial support to people affected at community level (including in Bucha and Irpin) and the establishment of a hotline. Capacity building in Mental Health and Psycho-social Support (MHPSS) was provided for personnel of health facilities and schools, URCS volunteers, and community members. The ICRC also organised MHPSS training for SESU psychologists, and sessions on suicide prevention to psychologists and workers in places of detention.

In total 177 mental health and psychosocial support practitioners and community volunteers were trained to provide basic psychological support to the affected population. 214 URCS volunteers, healthcare providers and teachers attended sessions delivered by ICRC psychologists to enable them to overcome stress and build self-resilience, 150 families of missing people were provided with psychological and psychosocial support. The ICRC also supported Dnipro mental health hospital with infrastructure rehabilitation.

SUPPORTING CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE AND EMERGENCY HOUSING RESPONSE

While destruction of critical infrastructure has disrupted the access of millions of peoples to essential services such as running water, electricity or heating, tens of thousands had their home destroyed or damaged as a result of the armed conflict, with particularly severe humanitarian consequences during the cold period of winter. Maintaining or restoring service delivery as early as possible is key to prevent further deterioration due to the direct and indirect consequences of destruction. In close coordination with regional administrations, municipalities and local communities, the ICRC has been among the key first responders to support the functioning, rehabilitation and repair of damaged or destroyed critical infrastructure. It has also supported tens of thousands of people to rebuild their houses and over 100,000 people living in temporary shelters.

Maintaining and restoring water, electricity and heating supply

Aware of the importance of maintaining access to essential services even during times of armed conflict, particularly in urban areas, the ICRC has maintained and restored access to safe drinking water for over 10.6 million people, through financial support and provision of water treatment chemicals, equipment, and materials to 46 water boards (Vodokanal) and 7 local administrations in 13 regions impacted by the armed conflict, on both sides of the frontlines. In particular, the ICRC supported Vodokanal in Chernihiv and Irpin with major repairs and upgrades on pipeline, pumping station and treatment plant contributing to the restoration of water provision capacities. In Mykolaiv, Vodokanal's capacity has also been sustained thanks to ICRC's support, while Voda Donbasa has also received continuous support from the ICRC.

The ICRC supported heating providers in the Chernihiv, Donetsk, Kharkiv, Kherson, Kyiv, and Mykolaiv regions to restore centralised heating to approximately 1.4 million people. In addition, the ICRC contributed to restoring power supply to 250,000 people in the Kherson, Kharkiv and Mykolaiv regions. Over 23,600 people living close to the frontlines in the Kharkiv region were also supported with cash assistance.

Over 550 generators, 75 electrical transformers, 64 specialised vehicles (such as cranes or water tankers), 27 excavators, 33 water treatment units, over 100

water pumps, and emergency construction materials and tools were donated to utility companies, emergency services and local authorities to support them in their capacity to respond to emergencies, as well as facilitate the removal of construction debris, and carry out repairs to damaged infrastructure facilities.

Repairing homes and providing shelter

The ICRC has been working closely with local authorities and communities to rebuild houses: Over 55,000 damaged houses in the Kharkiv, Chernihiv, Mykolaiv, Sumy, Kyiv, Zaporizhzhia, and Donetsk regions could be repaired through cash assistance as well as materials and tools provided by the ICRC.

In the same regions, over 24,600 people could regain access to medical services following the support of the ICRC to repair damaged hospitals and primary health-care facilities. In total, the ICRC supported the rehabilitation of over 36 health-care institutions of the Ministry of Health and 25 schools with donations of generators, water tanks, repair materials and potable water to support the continuity of care and education.

Maintaining access to education

The ICRC has implemented programs catered for children to have access to education in areas affected by hostilities, with the support of the Ukraine Red Cross Society and in close collaboration with education authorities.

The ICRC rehabilitated 37 educational facilities and strengthen structural security with the provision of construction materials and equipment to attenuate the consequences of the conflict for 67 facilities covering 11,000 children.

10,000 children in 508 schools received school kits with stationery. 606 children from vulnerable households have been provided UAH 10,000 per individual for expenses for learning online. 1,086 children received face-to-face or online lifesaving mine risks and safer behavior training and over 10,000 safety leaflets and 20,000 bookmarks were given to children, so they know the risks associated with mines and weapon contamination. 30 teachers and other school staff improved their capacity to support children psychologically and 20 school staff improved their skills in teaching children with disabilities in inclusive settings.



T. Oliinyk/ICRC

Donation of generators to the State Emergency Services of Ukraine (SESU) in Sumy, as part of the ICRC's efforts to support access to critical services for the population living in frontline areas. The ICRC donated more than 550 generators, 85 electrical transformers, 64 cranes and water tankers, 27 excavators, 33 water treatment units, and 100 water pumps to emergency services, in close collaboration with utility companies, health-care facilities and other critical service providers.



B. Kosiakov/ICRC

In September, the ICRC installed 7 kilometres of pipes and repaired the electric and pumping systems, helping over 200,000 people in Irpin have better access to water. On both sides of the frontline, the ICRC supported millions of people who suffered from disrupted access to water, electricity and heating due to damage to critical infrastructure. Overall, access to safe drinking water was restored for over 10,600,000 people, access to centralised heating for 1,400,000 people and power supply for 250,000 people, in close collaboration with local service providers.

ASSISTANCE

ASSISTING CONFLICT-AFFECTED PEOPLE TO MEET THEIR BASIC NEEDS AND REBUILD THEIR LIVES

The year 2022 has seen unprecedented amounts of destruction and civilian suffering. Millions of people in Ukraine have been uprooted from their homes, have lost their sources of income, and are struggling to come to grips with the situation that they are faced with, even before they can contemplate the rebuilding of their lives and livelihoods.

Providing assistance to the most vulnerable

The ICRC has been responding to the destabilizing effects of the conflict to alleviate the suffering of those most vulnerable. In partnership with the URCS and in close collaboration with both regional and national authorities, the ICRC has worked to deliver – at speed and at scale – humanitarian assistance that is tailored to the specific needs of the areas most affected by the conflict. Since February 2022, the ICRC rapidly assisted millions of people, on both sides of the frontline, including in Donetsk, Kharkiv, Kherson, Kyiv, Luhansk, Mykolaiv and Zaporizhzhia regions.

To help the most vulnerable endure their economic and livelihood losses, the ICRC has provided a set of humanitarian responses to answer the various needs of affected persons, including cash deposits to their bank accounts, direct cash in hand, vouchers to supermarkets and food and hygiene kits. With the objective to minimise the suffering generated by displacement and relocation, destruction or damage of their home, or cold temperatures of winter, the ICRC has provided assistance to some **900,000** vulnerable people, host families and IDPs with these options and other essential household items. Based on the diversity of the situations identified in the most affected areas, the ICRC applied various approaches to relevantly and sufficiently answer to the needs of the people.

In partnership with the **Ministry of Social Policy (MoSP)** and the URCS, the ICRC has been able to support over **346,000** people across Ukraine with cash assistance totaling **UAH 4.5 billion** (CHF 112 million) to improve their living conditions, before and during the

winter season. Additionally, working with **Ukrposhta** enabled the ICRC, in coordination with **Ministry of Reintegration of the Temporarily Occupied Territories**, to deliver money directly to the hands of those registered people who did not have bank accounts but were still in need. Giving cash to this population has allowed them to use it in a variety of ways, including paying of their utility bills to avoid being cut off during the winter, paying for medicines for family members and returning to repair their residences. All these aspects continue to support and invigorate the economies of the communities, and their markets, that are attached to these areas and supply these needs.

To help more than **24,000** people in heavily impacted areas of the Donetsk, Kherson and Luhansk regions cope with the winter period, the ICRC provided nearly **20,000** tonnes of hard fuel. In addition, the ICRC provided thousands of heaters, water boilers, blankets and other essential items including mats and beds, to several hundreds of collective centers, medical facilities, IDP centres, heating points and social institutions in mainly frontline areas.

Contributing towards recovery and resilience-building

The ICRC provided emergency assistance but endeavoured, to work with and sustain the local economy. This is done in conjunction with local authorities and the monitoring of the services that are available to the population. The ICRC also directly discusses these aspects with the affected communities so that it can provide the most appropriate assistance. As part of the ICRC's ongoing effort to support agriculture and help people restart their lives in retaken areas, the ICRC supported over **1,000** families in the Chernihiv, Kharkiv, Kyiv and Sumy regions by providing greenhouses and cash assistance, to improve their household food production. These interventions are aimed at rural households being able to sustain themselves and giving options for barter and sale of these goods to assist these families to become more economically independent.



J. Sparks/ICRC

Distribution of food and hygiene parcels in Parutine, Mykolaiv region. In parallel to the UAH 4.5 billion cash assistance program to 346,000 people, the ICRC delivered food and hygiene parcels to 900,000 vulnerable people and IDPs on both sides of the frontline, such as in Mariupol, Kupiansk, Lyman, Kherson and close to Bakhmut.



T. Oliykyk/ICRC

Donation of greenhouse kits in the Kharkiv and Sumy regions to allow quick recovery and build resilience.

RED CROSS AND RED CRESCENT MOVEMENT

COORDINATING WITH THE UKRAINIAN RED CROSS SOCIETY AND OTHER MOVEMENT PARTNERS

The ICRC, together with the URCS, have scaled up massively their operations complemented by the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC) and 14 partner National Societies currently present in-country to maximise the impact of our collective response in favour of the people affected by the international armed conflict between Russia and Ukraine.

The International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement (the Movement) comprises three components: the National Societies, the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC), and the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC). With its network of volunteers and staff, the Movement is the largest humanitarian network worldwide. In line with its Fundamental Principles, the Movement provides critical humanitarian services to the population in need.

In Ukraine, components of the Movement work collectively to complement each others' resources and expertise to respond to the needs of the most vulnerable and at-risk population. The ICRC specifically provides assistance and protection to the affected population living close to the frontlines and internally displaced persons in close coordination with the URCS.

The URCS emergency response

The URCS has increased its humanitarian response and reached over 10 million people impacted by the armed conflict across the territory of Ukraine. The URCS has assisted more than 8 million people with food and hygiene kits, assisted the evacuation from hotspots of around 300,000 people who voluntarily asked the URCS for such support. Its 93 Mobile Health Units have provided consultations to over 152,000 people, mostly in areas where the health-care system was disrupted and provided home-based care to more than 4,000 people in 370 locations across 22 regions.

Today, the URCS is the largest local humanitarian actor operating in Ukraine, with 1,500 staff and 8,000 volunteers. The URCS volunteers are working in proximity with communities and tailoring their assistance to the population's specific needs.

ICRC support to the URCS

In addition to its own operations, the ICRC supported and complemented the URCS response in delivering humanitarian aid across the country. The ICRC has donated over 185,000 food parcels, 283,000 hygiene kits and 38 light and heavy vehicles to support the URCS response. The ICRC has contributed UAH 425 million (CHF 11 million) to bolster URCS operational capacity and longer-term development, with a focus on the regional and local URCS branches closer to the frontline areas.

The URCS and ICRC making preparations for a safe passage operation in Sumy in March 2022, as part of a much larger Red Cross and Red Crescent collective response to humanitarian needs.





Y. Nosenko/ICRC

An ICRC–URCS joint emergency assistance delivered in Kherson. Similar joint operations were carried out in many frontline locations, such as the Kharkiv, Mykolaiv and Kherson regions.

This is in addition to supporting 29 Mobile Health Units to provide over 78,000 consultations for people residing in remote areas heavily impacted by the armed conflict in Kharkiv, Kyiv, Poltava and Sumy regions. The ICRC has also contributed over UAH 80 million (CHF 2 million) to assist close to 60,000 people in Kharkiv region and Kherson city under a joint cash assistance project between the URCS and Ukrposhta. In addition, more than 2,200 URCS volunteers have directly contributed to delivering ICRC humanitarian assistance to people living close to the frontline.

ICRC as an enabler of a robust and effective Red Cross footprint

The ICRC has been facilitating the presence of 14 partner National Societies (Austrian, British, Canadian, Danish, French, German, Italian, Japanese, Luxembourg, Norwegian, Spanish, Swedish, Swiss and Turkish) and the IFRC to contribute to the Movement response in Ukraine and bring in the needed resources and expertise from across the globe. Together with the URCS, the ICRC has committed to ensuring that the Movement’s collective response in Ukraine is effective, principled, well-coordinated, accountable and with a sustainable impact. This was officialised in

a joint statement signed on 29 July 2022 between the URCS, the ICRC and the IFRC.

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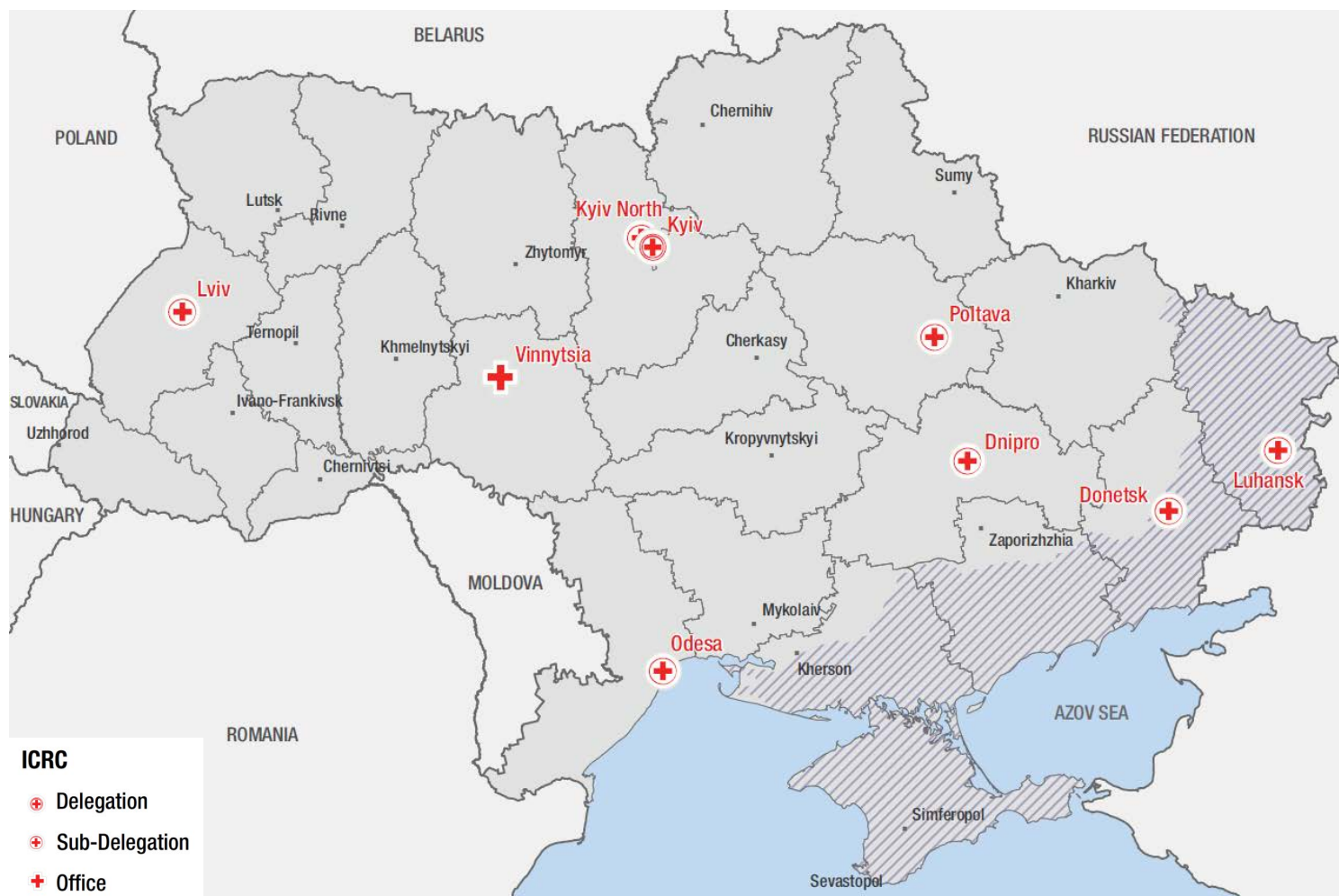
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