

Joint Declaration
between
the Ministry of Social Policy, Family and Unity of Ukraine
and
the Ministry of Justice, Sweden

on Ukraine's Unity Hub in Sweden

The Ministry of Social Policy, Family and Unity of Ukraine and The Swedish Ministry of Justice (hereinafter: the Sides or the Swedish Side / the Ukrainian Side), noting the exceptional circumstances resulting from Russia's illegal war of aggression against Ukraine,

being aware of the significant number of Ukrainian citizens hosted by Sweden, acknowledging the significant efforts and initiatives undertaken by the authorities and civil society to welcome and support Ukrainian citizens who have fled to and are residing in Sweden,

recognizing the priority of the Government of Ukraine to facilitate the voluntary return of Ukrainian citizens and to ensure their successful reintegration,

desiring to facilitate Ukraine's outreach to its citizens residing in Sweden,

have reached the following understanding on the establishment of the Ukraine's Unity Hub in Sweden (hereinafter: Unity Hub).

1. The Sides intend to cooperate with the International Centre for Migration Policy Development (ICMPD) in relation to the establishment and operation of the Unity Hub in Sweden.

The duration of the Unity Hub project is expected to be **28 months** and may be extended by mutual agreement of the Sides. The initial financing is for 12 months. The intention of the Swedish Ministry of Justice is to continue financing the project after year 1, pending on a new government decision.

2. The Sides note that the Unity Hub in Sweden shall be a designated centre operated by ICMPD as an implementing partner in close coordination with the Ukraine's Limited Liability Company "Agency of National Unity" (hereinafter referred to as "Agency of National Unity"), acting under the authority of the Ukrainian Side and in close coordination with the Swedish Side.

3. The Sides acknowledge that the tasks of the Unity Hub may include:

Strengthen social cohesion within the Ukrainian community and with host-society actors.

Provide trusted information on temporary protection/residence issues and on available support and obligations in Sweden (via referrals to competent authorities and services).

Provide up-to-date information and practical guidance on accessing Ukrainian public services and programmes (including pre-consular information and step-by-step guidance, without exercising consular powers).

Offer a platform for information sharing, countering disinformation, and capacity building for civil society (media literacy, civic education).

Provide structured information and referral pathways for voluntary return and reintegration in Ukraine (in cooperation with relevant Ukrainian and international actors and the Swedish Migration Agency).

Organize visits by Ukrainian officials to meet with people in person and provide information on opportunities in Ukraine.

Organize visits by Ukrainian artists, influencers, and opinion leaders, as well as exhibitions and performances, to be hosted at the Unity Hub.

4. The Sides recognize that the services provided in the Unity Hub will be of a practical nature, will not constitute acts of sovereignty, and will comply with the national legislation of Sweden. Unless otherwise agreed by the Sides, the services provided will be complementary and will not duplicate existing services already available in Sweden.

5. The Sides agree that the Unity Hub will be located in **Stockholm**.

6. The Sides intend to undertake the following tasks:

The Swedish Side will support the project financially, as well as support engagement of other state authorities in cooperation with the Unity Hub. The details of the extent of financial support from the Swedish Side is addressed within the project with the implementing partner.

The Ukrainian Side will ensure the provision of up-to-date information necessary for successful referrals to authorities and organisations in Ukraine and successful reintegration of its citizens.

7. The Sides intend to ensure regular coordination regarding the activities of the Unity Hub. To this end, the Sides will hold joint coordination meetings on a quarterly basis, or more frequently if deemed necessary by either Side. During such meetings, the Sides will exchange information on the implementation of activities and discuss strategic priorities.

8. The Sides are ready to promote the awareness of Ukrainian citizens about the establishment and activities of the Unity Hub in Sweden. Any such promotion will be coordinated in advance by sharing of information.

9. The Sides are ready to further develop their cooperation. The Ukrainian Side intends to create a functional reception and reintegration system for voluntary returns

of Ukrainian citizens. Such a system will ensure communication with the Swedish Side and with international organizations facilitating and supporting the voluntary return of Ukrainian citizens to Ukraine.

10. This Joint Declaration does not constitute a legally binding document that establishes rights and obligations under international law.

Any disputes or disagreements arising from this Joint Declaration of Intent will be resolved through consultations between the Sides.

This Joint Declaration of Intent may be amended at any time by mutual agreement of the Sides. Amendments will take effect upon signing and must be documented in writing.

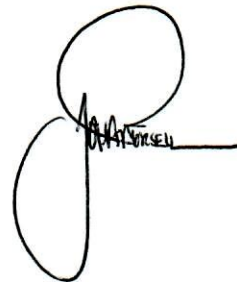
Signed in two copies, in the English language only, on 16 April 2026 in Stockholm.

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