From:	Ropu Erueti on behalf of Mayor Phil Goff
To:	s7(2)(a) privacy
Subject:	Invitation
Date:	Monday, 7 March 2022 4:01:44 pm
Attachments:	image001.png

## Hi<sup>s7(2)(a) priv</sup>

Nice to hear from you. I can really appreciate the concerns being felt by the Baltic States and other countries which were previously part of the Soviet bloc.

Putin's invasion of Ukraine was unjustified, unprovoked and shrouded with lies around his intentions.

The blood of thousands of people will be on his hands and his actions take us back to the worst years of the Cold War.

On behalf of Auckland Council I have expressed our solidarity with the people of Ukraine and this courages fight to preserve their freedom and independence. I persuaded the Museum, skytower and Harbour bridge to light up their struggles in the yellow and blue of Ukraines flag over the last three nights.

Can you please pass on my apologies for the virtual meeting on 9 March because of other commitments but feel free to extend ot them the views of our city in condemnation of the invasion and in support of the people Ukraine and Europe,

Kind regards Phil

Phil Goff Mayor of Auckland Office of the Mayor | Auckland Council Level 27, 135 Albert Street, Auckland

## From: s7(2)(a) privacy

Dear Phil,

Its been a little while since we caught up at the celebration of the Baltic way .

As the events of the past few days are intensifying in the Ukraine. As a past Minister of foreign affairs and the Mayor of Auckland I have been asked by Andrius Vysniaukaus Member of the Seimas of the Republic of Lithuania (Member of Parliament) Head of Group for inter Parliamentary relations with countries of Australia and Oceania.

To invite you to a virtual meeting with other members of the Lithuanian Parliament who want to tell colleagues in the New Zealand Parliament what is happening (from our perspective and knowledge) in Ukraine,

What kind of support we and the EU are giving . Of course they would like to hear the opinions of colleagues from New Zealand and discuss what they could help for Ukraine (diplomatic and humanitarian solutions).

In attendance from the Lithuanian delegation will be HE Darius Degutis the Lithuanian Ambassador for Australia and New Zealand , Andrius Vysniaukaus, Laima Andrikiene(

Chairwomen of the Foreign Affairs Committee ) Laurynas Kasciunas (Chairman of National Security and Defence committee ) I am proposing this meeting to take place 7pm NZT on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> March . If you are interested in attending this virtual meeting can you please email myself by Monday 7<sup>th</sup> March so we can email you a meeting invitation I look forward to your positive response .

Regards

## s7(2)(a) privacy

Honorary Consul for The Republic of Lithuania Level 1, 99 Parnell Road, Parnell, Auckland, New Zealand. Phone: **+s7**(2)(**a**) **privacy** 



From:	Mayor Phil Goff
To:	s7(2)(a) privacy
Subject:	Re: Appeal to the mayor of Auckland - solidarity with Ukraine
Date:	Sunday, 27 February 2022 3:03:52 pm

Hi<sup>str2/a) prover</sup>. Thanks for your email. I absolutely agree and have contacted all the relevant authorities to try to progress this. Hoping for a positive response to show our solidarity with Ukraine. Regards Phil.

Sent from my iPhone

On 26/02/2022, at 9:56 AM, S	s7(2)(a) privacy	wrote:
------------------------------	------------------	--------

Dear Mr Goff,

I along with many other Aucklanders are deeply concerned about the unprovoked agression of the Putin regime against democratic Ukraine.

I am asking you to approach the relevant people at sky city with a suggestion as to how the people of Auckland can express their solidarity with the people of Ukraine and stand with them against agression and dictatorship.

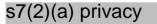
I suggest that the sky tower be lit up in the colours of the Ukranian flag (blue and yellow).

As a former foreign minister of our country I am sure you appreciate the gravity of the developing crisis and the importance of collective security of free people.

This is currently being done at other world landmarks such as the Brandenburg gate and the Empire state building.

Yours sincerely

s7(2)(a) privacy



Sent from my Galaxy

From:	s7(2)(a) privacy on behalf of Mayor Phil Goff
To:	s7(2)(a) privacy
Subject:	Support for Ukraine
Date:	Monday, 7 March 2022 11:33:42 am
Attachments:	1.3.22 - Auckland Harbour Bridge.jpg
	<u>1.3.22 - Auckland Sky Tower.jpg</u>
	1.3.22 - Auckland War Memorial Musem.jpg

Tēnā koe

On behalf of the Mayor, thank you for your query regarding the lighting of Auckland landmarks with the colours of the Ukrainian flag.

You will be pleased to know that in unequivocal support of the people of Ukraine, the city of Auckland lit up our skies with the colours of the Ukraine national flag, which for three days were projected onto key landmarks in our city: The Auckland Sky Tower, the Auckland Harbour Bridge and the Auckland War Memorial Museum.

Attached are images for your information.

Ngā mihi

<sup>s7(2)(a) privacy</sup> | Correspondence Coordinator Office of the Mayor of Auckland Auckland Council | Te Kaunihera o Tāmaki Makaurau Visit our website: <u>www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz</u>