



For Immediate Use

UKRAINE APPEAL

PRESS STATEMENT

Donations for the Ukraine Appeal through the Bailiff's Disaster Relief Fund

There is a humanitarian crisis unfolding before our eyes following the invasion of Ukraine by Russian forces. For many of us, such a conflict is almost unimaginable in the 21st century. Military aggression in Europe should be a thing of the past and the regular news bulletins about the plight of the people of Ukraine, both in defending their country and for others fleeing from the conflict, are stark reminders of what Guernsey families faced in 1940. The suffering of the people of Ukraine is something that should resonate with us.

The Disasters Emergency Committee ('DEC') launched its Ukraine Appeal on Thursday 3rd March and to support this, the Bailiff has decided exceptionally to open the Bailiff's Disaster Relief Fund Ukraine Appeal. The Bailiff hopes islanders will assist the Disasters Emergency Committee in its efforts to provide the essentials of life to the desperate and traumatised people of this country.

"The Bailiff's Fund serves to facilitate the making of donations in this Island, offering the means by which to record the continuing generosity of the people of Guernsey. There are other ways in which people can donate directly to those organisations offering aid to Ukraine, but I feel it appropriate to pool donations of those who prefer to use this Fund so that they can be passed to the DEC to assist those people in, or who have fled from, Ukraine in their hour of need. We know that any donation, however small, will do some good and be appreciated by those who deserve our help." Richard McMahon, Bailiff

The Bailiff's Disaster Relief Fund

The Bailiff's Disaster Relief Fund has existed since 2001. The purpose of the Fund is to act as a focus for Guernsey donations in support of fund-raising initiatives promoted by the Disasters Emergency Committee, an English registered charity. The Disasters Emergency Committee unites a number of leading independent humanitarian agencies in the United Kingdom in their efforts to maximise donations from the British public in order to contribute to an effective humanitarian response to major disasters overseas.

The Bailiff's Disaster Relief Fund provides a facility through which donations by Islanders can be channelled to the Disasters Emergency Committee. It is not intended to discourage would be donors from making donations to local or other charities of their choice. The

intention of the Bailiff's Fund is to provide a convenient easy way of donating and to assist donors who are uncertain whether to make a donation to one charity rather than another.

How to give

Anyone wishing to make a donation through the Bailiff's Disaster Relief Fund can do so as follows:

- **By bank transfer:**

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| Bank: | NatWest Bank, Guernsey |
| Sort Code | 60-09-20 |
| Account Number | 74070487 |

- **In person at the bank counter:**

Any branch of NatWest in the Bailiwick for the account of
Bailiff's Disaster Relief Fund Ukraine Appeal, number 74070487

- **By post:**

Cheques may be made payable to **Bailiff's Disaster Relief Fund Ukraine Appeal** and sent to The Bailiff's Chambers, Royal Court House, St. Peter Port, GY1 2NZ

Please note that donations can also be made directly through the Red Cross, UNICEF and the Disasters Emergency Committee websites.

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