MIR ITALY APPEAL TO PEACE IN UKRAINE

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We are all saddened and extremely worried by the threat of war between Russia and Ukraine, a war that would involve NATO. Every war is always to be condemned, it is "an adventure with no return, a spiral of grief and violence"; all the more terrifying and indignant is the risk of a war between states with nuclear weapons. We want to hope that there is no madman who thinks he can solve the problems, not even to the advantage of his own side, by using such weapons. For this reason we demonstrated on January 22, the day in support of the UN Treaty TPNW for the banning of atomic weapons.

MIR shares and spreads the attached appeal of the Italian Peace and Disarmament Network to the Government, for an "active neutrality to avert war at the gates of Europe".

We also invites people of all faiths, especially members of MIR, to accept Pope Francis' invitation to dedicate the day of Wednesday, January 26 to prayer for peace.

Let us join in prayer and recollection at 7 p.m.

MIR Italy

<u>Here you can read</u> the national appeal by <u>Rete Italiana Pace e Disarmo</u> (the national network for peace and disarmament):

Peace Disarmament Network to the Government: active neutrality to prevent war at the doors of Europe.

To all countries involved we say, stop. Lay down your weapons and threats and negotiate.