

RESOLUTION ON THE HOLODOMOR OF 1932-1933 IN UKRAINE

1. Reiterating the crucial role of the OSCE in the promotion of human rights and values,
2. Recalling that parliamentary institutions play a decisive role in defining humanitarian policies and legislation and represent the will of the people of relevant countries,
3. Emphasizing that raising public awareness of humanitarian tragedies of our history is an important tool for restoring the dignity of victims through acknowledgment of their suffering and preventing similar catastrophes in the future,
4. Reminding the OSCE participating States of their commitment to “clearly and unequivocally condemn totalitarianism” (1990 Copenhagen Document),
5. Recalling that the rule of the totalitarian Stalinist regime in the former USSR had led to tremendous human rights violations depriving millions of people of their right to live,
6. Recalling also that crimes of the Stalinist regime have already been revealed and condemned and some still require both national and international recognition and unequivocal condemnation,

The OSCE Parliamentary Assembly:

7. Pays tribute to the innocent lives of millions of Ukrainians who perished during the Holodomor of 1932 and 1933 as a result of the mass starvation brought about by the cruel deliberate actions and policies of the totalitarian Stalinist regime;
8. Welcomes the recognition of the Holodomor in the United Nations, by the United Nations Educational and Scientific Organization and by the national parliaments of a number of the OSCE participating States;
9. Endorses the Joint Statement of 31 OSCE participating States on the 75th anniversary of the Holodomor of 1932 and 1933 in Ukraine, delivered at the 15th Meeting of the OSCE Ministerial Council;
10. Supports the initiative of Ukraine to reveal the full truth of this tragedy of the Ukrainian people, in particular through raising public awareness of the Holodomor at international and national levels, organizing the commemoration of the Holodomor as well as academic, expert and civil events aimed at discussing this issue;
11. Invites the parliamentarians of the OSCE participating States to participate in the events commemorating the 75th anniversary of the Holodomor of 1932-1933 in Ukraine;
12. Strongly encourages all parliaments to adopt acts regarding recognition of the Holodomor.