

Declaration of the Presidents of the People's Councils of LNR and DNR Vladimir Degtyarenko and Denis Pushilin

The Ukrainian authorities continue the genocide of the population of Donbass.

Attacks and bombings continue on the line of contact, having damaged a number of social, industrial and residential buildings. At the end of 2016, as a result of sabotage by the Kiev army, 80% of the LPR was left without electricity. It is located under the continuing threat of sabotage of the hydraulic system and gas for heating.

Several times there have been attempts by the Ukrainians to stop the flow of water from the Petrovsky filtration plant ("Carbon" industrial site) in the territory of the LPR.

Because of that, some 400,000 people have been affected by a shortage of drinking water in the cities of Lugansk, Alchevsk, Stakhanov, Bryanka, Pervomaisk and a number of other settlements.

The districts of the DPR had to connect to the power supply of the city of Yasinovataya and many surrounding settlements are still without water.

Part of Makeyevka is still dry. The water pumping structure on the Kalmius River was subjected to artillery fire. Pervomaysk is disconnected from the gas supply network. The failure of these structures endangers more than 500,000 residents.

The Ukrainian army has deliberately chosen to target civilian industrial facilities whose destruction could cause an ecological disaster in the region.

The Donetsk filtering system, where hazardous chemicals are stored, is under constant artillery fire. More than 500,000 people live in the districts adjacent to the Ukrainian border.

The situation is similar, because of potentially dangerous substances in the installation of "phenol" Dzerzhinsk, near the village of Novgorod and the "Styrene" plant near the city of Gorlovka.

In addition, Ukraine has done nothing to restore the banking system, so there is no possibility for the transfer of money. Citizens of the Republics do not receive their pensions and social benefits. This restriction affects mainly pensioners and the most socially vulnerable groups -- about 30% of the population.

We ask you to intervene with the President of Ukraine, Poroshenko, to stop the criminal activities against the people of Donbass.

Stop firing on civilians!

Stop the economic blockade!

This must be done before it's too late!

We still have time to stop the environmental and humanitarian disaster!

Stop Poroshenko! Save the people of Donbass!