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Dear "Oceania DX Contest" committee!

Ukrainian radio amateurs appreciated the announcement of sanctions for russian / belarusian radio amateurs to participate in your competitions, as proof of solidarity with Ukrainian radio amateurs.

The condemnation of russia's attack on Ukraine, as the main reason for the sanctions, fully corresponded to the norms of morality and was perceived by Ukrainians as the strong position of the contest committee.

Your cancellation of sanctions while still condemning the war is somewhat surprising. At the time of the lifting of sanctions, Russia's aggressive actions are only intensifying. Huge draft has been announced in russia. 300,000 men will be drafted to fight in Ukraine.

Pseudo-referendums are being held in the occupied regions of Ukraine for the purpose of annexation.

Russia's nuclear terrorism has not disappeared. The Ukrainian Zaporizhia nuclear power plant is in close proximity to Russia's fight.

Russia escalates the war. Referring to your previous arguments, sanctions should be increased to a complete ban, as the Czech club "CRC" did. Vice versa - sanctions are lifted. Therefore, war is not the main reason for lifting sanctions.

What then?

Apolitical? Not at all. Russia's war against Ukraine is already a politics.

Russian authorities' issue callsigns in the occupied territories of Crimea and Donbas. This is a political attempt to legitimize the occupation of part of Ukraine.

Separatists (prefix D1) work on the air from the territories where military operations are taking place, which is possible only with the assistance of the occupiers. It is also politics.

Not a single Russian radio amateur or radio amateur organization condemned Russia's attack on Ukraine. It is considered as a silent war support by Russians.

It is certainly your right to announce and then cancel the sanctions. But such actions lead only to reputational losses.

Ukrainians still strive to live according to the principles of the civilized world, which they defend with weapons in their hands.

Ukrainian radio amateurs will be glad for any manifestation of solidarity. There is still time to condemn pseudo-apoliticism and make reasonable decision.

We are expecting for return of sanctions or that you will ban the participation of russian/belarusian radio amateurs in the "Oceania DX Contest".

Thank you for understanding,

Sincerely Yours,

Oleksander Zaliznyak, UX7UU President UARL September 29, 2022

