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TO:

President of Ukraine Viktor YANUKOVYCH
Chairman of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine Volodymyr RYBAK
Head of the Mission of Ukraine to the European Union Kostiantyn YELISIEIEV

Brussels, 19 February 2014

STOP VIOLENCE IN UKRAINE

Dear Mr President:

Dear Mr Speaker of Verkhovna Rada:

Dear Mr Head of the Mission of Ukraine to the European Union:

The horrific events of last night in Kyiv are appalling and shocking.

We, an umbrella organisation of 47 national unions of students in 39 countries – the European Students' Union – urge you to stop violence against civilians in the streets and to switch to a proper transition to a peaceful and sustainable Ukraine. We encourage you to stop the repression against students and youth, who should be able to express their opinions and views freely.

The European Students' Union believes in the rule of law, democracy and human rights in Ukraine.


Rok Primožič,
Chairperson

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ESU – The European Students' Union - is the umbrella organisation of 47 national unions of students from 39 countries, and through these members represents over 11 million students. The aim of ESU is to articulate and promote the educational, social, economic and cultural interests of students at a European level towards all relevant bodies and in particular the European Union, Bologna Follow-Up Group, Council of Europe and UNESCO.