

# RESOLUTION

## On the Situation in Ukraine

**The Baltic Assembly,**

**considering** free elections to be a cornerstone of democratic values and condemning all attempts to break up the territorial integrity of the state of Ukraine;

**welcoming** the decision of the Supreme Court of Ukraine to repeat the second round of the presidential elections, a decision that was already adopted by the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine by taking into consideration the will of voters, in order to stabilise the situation in Ukraine;

**highly appreciating** the leading role in mediatory activities in Ukraine by the Presidents of the EU member states – the Republic of Lithuania and the Republic of Poland – together with the High Representative of the European Union;

**condemning** any illegal intervention by third countries into the internal affairs of Ukraine as this does not comply with the principles of peaceful co-existence of nations;

**particularly emphasising** the role of Ukraine as the most important partner of the European Union in implementing the European Neighbourhood Policy;

**stressing** that events in Ukraine affect the stability in that region and in Europe, which again emphasises the importance of implementing a strategy for integrating this country into European and Euro-Atlantic cooperation structures;

**affirms** its solidarity with the Ukrainian people who are striving towards democracy and expresses its conviction that in the repeated second round of the presidential elections the people of Ukraine will demonstrate the maturity of their civil society and their adherence to generally accepted democratic standards.

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