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December 12, 2013

The President of the United States  
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW  
The White House  
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Mr. President:

The Central and East European Coalition (CEEC), representing more than 20 million Americans, is disturbed and deeply concerned about the violence against the peaceful protestors in Kyiv's EuroMaidan. We are troubled by the use of violence to quell peaceful protestors in Ukraine. Exercising their fundamental right of freedom of expression and right to assemble, the protestors, mainly young students, are vying to integrate Ukraine into EuroAtlantic structures.

Stability in the region is in the geo-political interests of the United States. In keeping with America's long-entrenched policy of promoting civil liberties, we must support the fundamental human rights of the protestors and unequivocally condemn all attempts to forcefully breakup the EuroMaidan.

The CEEC applauds the State Department's recent statement and the telephone conversation between Vice President Biden and President Yanukovich. We respectfully urge you to do more. We request that you speak to Viktor Yanukovich and Vladimir Putin to express indignation at the use of violence and call upon Russia to immediately suspend its illegal and unacceptable intervention in Ukraine.

Russia's actions are steps in the re-Sovietization of the region. The United States cannot merely stand by and watch.

Thank you.

On behalf of the CEEC,

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Polish American Congress

Maximilian N. Teleki, President,  
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Saulius Kuprys, President,  
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