



SEIMAS OF THE REPUBLIC OF LITHUANIA
RESOLUTION
ON RECOGNITION OF DESTRUCTION OF THE CRIMEAN TATARS
BY THE SOVIET UNION AS GENOCIDE

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The Seimas of the Republic of Lithuania,

underlining the Convention of 9 December 1948 on the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide and the Convention of 26 November 1968 on the non-applicability of statutory limitations to war crimes and crimes against humanity to which the Republic of Lithuania is a Party;

condemning war crimes, genocide and crimes against humanity;

condemning the destruction and deportation of the Crimean Tatar people, as planned and executed by the totalitarian Soviet regime in 1944, from their Homeland, the Crimean peninsula, to the uninhabited areas of Central Asia, where most of the deported Crimean Tatars perished from starvation, diseases, torture and hard forced labour;

basing itself on the definition of genocide stipulated in international law,

recognises the crimes against the Crimean Tatar people committed by the Soviet Union in 1944 as genocide;

draws attention to and condemns the illegal occupation and annexation of Ukraine's Crimea by the Russian Federation in 2014 and the ongoing discrimination against the civilian population and the Crimean Tatar people on grounds of language, culture, religion and nationality, the abolition of the Crimean Tatar self-governance;

calls upon the international community to show its solidarity with the Crimean Tatars and to continue the policy of non-recognition of the occupation and annexation of Ukraine's Crimea by the Russian Federation in 2014.