



Czech Go Association  
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## Statement of the Czech Go Association on the events in Ukraine

Dear all,

in connection with current world events, one of the items to be discussed at the General Meeting of the Czech go association held on 26 February 2022 was the statement on the Russian invasion of Ukraine. The Czech Go Association condemns the invasion and considers this behavior unacceptable.

The Czech go association also calls on the IGF & EGF and recommends the following to its players:

1. The Czech Go Association with immediate effect recommends its members not to enter games against players from the Russian Federation and the Republic of Belarus in all official tournaments and competitions. In the event of the Czech player withdrawing from the game with a Russian player, there are no penalties, even if this would violate the rules of game of the Czech go association.
2. The Czech Go Association declares that representatives from the Russian Federation and the Republic of Belarus are not welcome at the European Youth Go Championship 2022 in Prague.
3. The Czech Go Association calls on the International Go Federation and the European Go Federation to ban the participation of players from the Russian Federation and the Republic of Belarus in all official tournaments and competitions.
4. The Czech Go Association calls on the International Go Federation and the European Go Federation to suspend the membership of the Russian Go Federation and the Republic of Belarus.



On behalf of the Executive Committee

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