

# EU leadership on Russia's war against Ukraine: 'peace, security and justice will prevail'

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On the three-year anniversary of Russia's war of aggression against Ukraine, the presidents of the EU institutions today released a joint statement saying that Russia bears sole responsibility for the war.

The President of the European Council, the President of the European Commission and the President of the European Parliament also insisted on the need for the international community's continued support for Ukraine, and called for accountability for all war crimes and crimes against humanity committed.

"Russia and its people are paying a price for their leader's actions. Together with partners, we have imposed unprecedented sanctions against Russia and those complicit in the war and remain ready to increase the pressure on

Russia to limit its ability to wage war,” the statement says.

The latest – 16th package of sanctions – was adopted today.

The presidents of the EU institutions also paid tribute to all those who have sacrificed their lives and have lost loved ones for Ukraine’s independence and freedom.

They concluded their statement saying that “Ukraine is part of our European family” and that the future of Ukraine and its citizens lies within the European Union.