



**The Constitutional Court of
the Republic of Croatia**
President

Honourable Acting Chairman Petryshyn,

Distinguished colleagues,

On behalf of the Constitutional Court of the Republic of Croatia, I extend our warmest congratulations to the Constitutional Court of Ukraine on the occasion of its 30th anniversary.

Over the past three decades, the Constitutional Court of Ukraine has played a vital role in safeguarding constitutional order, protecting fundamental rights, and upholding the rule of law. Its work has significantly contributed to the development of constitutional democracy in Ukraine and to strengthening public trust in constitutional institutions.

Today, however, this anniversary carries a meaning that goes far beyond the passage of thirty years.

Ukraine is defending not only its territory and sovereignty, but also the fundamental principles upon which constitutional democracy and the European legal order are built. In these extraordinarily difficult circumstances, the commitment of the Constitutional Court of Ukraine and its judges to constitutional justice is a powerful expression of institutional resilience and courage.

On behalf of the Constitutional Court of the Republic of Croatia, I wish to express our solidarity and friendship with your institution and the people of Ukraine.

Our two Courts share a strong commitment to the values of constitutional democracy, the rule of law, human dignity and the effective protection of fundamental rights. These common values have been the foundation of our friendship and judicial cooperation, and they will continue to guide us in the years ahead.

The experience of Ukraine also reminds us that constitutional justice is not merely an institutional or legal concept. At its heart are people, their dignity, their freedoms and their hope for a peaceful and democratic future.

On this important anniversary, we therefore wish the Constitutional Court of Ukraine strength, resilience and success in fulfilling its constitutional mission.

May the day come when this anniversary can be celebrated in a peaceful Kyiv, surrounded by colleagues and friends from across Europe, without the shadow of war. Until that day, please know that your Croatian colleagues stand with you - as partners, as fellow constitutional judges and, above all, as friends.

Please accept our sincere congratulations on this important anniversary and our best wishes for peace, justice, and a prosperous future for Ukraine.

Slava Ukraini!



Professor Dr Frane Staničić

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