

Dear Mr. Lalovic,

Soon will be almost a year since the Russian army invaded Ukraine, killing people, destroying the country's economy, and turning entire cities into ruins. Among the dead are many wrestlers, coaches, referees, organizers of wrestling sports, their family members and relatives. By all possible means, we support Ukraine's aspiration to maintain its independence and national integrity. At the same time, we support the efforts of the entire democratic society to isolate the aggressor countries – Russia and Belarus, as much as possible. Day by day, these countries only increase their military efforts to occupy as much of the territory of Ukraine as possible, not only defenders of the country, but also completely innocent civilians are killed. Therefore, in such a situation, we, the undersigned, presidents of the wrestling federations of our countries, demand that everyone, without exception, representative of Russia or Belarus should continue to be barred from not only participation, but official attendance at all UWW events.

Mr. Lalovic we are looking forward to your understanding, support, and solutions.

Signed by,

Lithuanian wrestling federation president Giedrius Dambrauskas

Danish wrestling federation president Palle Nielsen

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Finnish wrestling federation president Pekka Paavola

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