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The Right Honourable Paul Martin
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Dear Prime Minister:

On behalf of the Ukrainian community in Alberta, the Ukrainian Canadian Congress - Alberta Provincial Council welcomes the recent statement made by Deputy Prime Minister Anne McLellan (November 24) and supported by all members of Parliament in the House of Commons not to recognize the announced results of Ukraine's elections made by the Ukrainian government's Central Election Commission.

We also welcome the statement expressed by Foreign Affairs Minister Pierre Pettigrew (November 23) calling for an immediate investigation of allegations of serious fraud that took place during the second round of voting for Ukraine's president on November 21. As there are millions of people across Ukraine who are protesting the massive fraud committed by or abetted by Ukrainian authorities, the Ukrainian Canadian community has great concerns that the Ukrainian authorities may use force against peaceful protesters.

We therefore strongly urge Canadian Government to issue a stern warning to Ukraine's authorities that any use of force against peaceful demonstrators would be viewed as a criminal act.

Yours very truly

Ukrainian Canadian Congress-Alberta Provincial Council

Catherine Chichak, President

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