



Statement of the Ukrainian National Platform

Association Agreement between EU and Ukraine is a holistic and indivisible international legal instrument

Taking note of the proposal 'to divide the Association Agreement into political and economic components' and 'to sign the political part' separately, which we believe is technically impossible, has motivated the non-governmental organisations who are members of the Ukrainian National Platform of the Eastern Partnership Civil Society Forum, to make the following declaration:

The Ukrainian National Platform of the Eastern Partnership Civil Society Forum welcomes the willingness of the European Union and the Government of Ukraine to sign the Association Agreement in the nearest future.

We consider the Agreement a comprehensive, holistic and indivisible document, which, in its totality, not only ensures political rapprochement between the EU and Ukraine, but also guarantees support to the reforms that are vital for the future development of Ukraine.

We welcome the declared readiness of the EU to introduce immediately and unilaterally trade preferences for Ukraine which have been indicated in the Agreement.

We support the intent of the parties to embrace economic difficulties that Ukraine has faced and, possibly, to delay coming into force of certain economic and trade components of the Agreement.

At the same time, we support the formula according to which the Agreement remains a holistic and indivisible international legal instrument."