## <u>PM call with President Zelenskyy of</u> <u>Ukraine: 2 April 2022</u>

Press release

Prime Minister Boris Johnson spoke to Ukrainian President Zelenskyy this evening.



The Prime Minister spoke to Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy again this evening.

He congratulated Ukraine's brave armed forces for successfully pushing back Russia's invading army in a number of areas, but recognised the huge challenges that remain and the immense suffering being inflicted on civilians.

The Prime Minister updated President Zelenskyy on the progress made at last week's military donor conference, convened by the UK with 35 countries, and committed to continue to step up defensive support. President Zelenskyy underscored the urgency of Ukraine's fight for its survival as a free and democratic nation and the importance of international assistance.

President Zelenskyy also updated on the status on peace negotiations and welcomed further UK involvement in these diplomatic efforts. Both leaders agreed on the importance of continuing to ratchet up sanctions to increase the economic pressure on Putin's war machine, so long as Russian troops remain on Ukrainian territory.

They committed to remain in close contact and speak again in the coming days.

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