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WCAA Organizing Committee has had a robust discussion of the statement by members of the Executive Committee of AAER on Russia's military action in Ukraine. Following the discussion, the Organizing Committee has overwhelmingly voted to release the statement below:

## **WCAA Statement**

The letter issued by members of the Executive Committee of the AAER and posted to their website does not express the position of the WCAA Organizing Committee, which is to condemn any military actions against sovereign countries. We believe states should pursue diplomatic solutions instead of war. We are very concerned about the destruction of Ukraine and its historical heritage, the daily terror experienced by the population, the killing of civilians, and their forced displacement that is turning large numbers of Ukrainians into refugees.

Yours sincerely,

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