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**RE:** Resignation with immediate effect in response to the Russian invasion of Ukraine

To the Rector:

With this letter, I am writing to inform you that I am resigning with immediate effect from my position as a tenured Associate Professor of Philosophy at the HSE in response to the Russian invasion of Ukraine.

I find it no longer possible to continue to participate in the Russian university system, especially as it is funded by the Russian government.

As a philosopher, I can no longer contribute to Russia's philosophical community; as a professor, I can no longer support Russia's academic development.

Additionally, I shall no longer attribute my writings and publications with the HSE. And I am no longer willing to accept any further compensation, funding or recognition from the HSE or from Russia.

With this in mind, I note that many of my colleagues condemn the Russian invasion of Ukraine—so, I appeal to them to join me in resigning from the HSE in protest and with immediate effect.

I also know that many of my students repudiate the Russian invasion of Ukraine—as well as what President Putin has done to them, to their hopes and dreams, to Russia as a whole—so, I appeal to them to quit studying at the HSE immediately.

Alone, I realize, my resignation would likely have little effect—but I am not alone—and the Russian war on Ukraine must stop immediately.

Sincerely,

Andrew Haas