## Federal Assembly of the Russian Federation

### RESOLUTION

#### of the STATE DUMA

# About the Statement of the State Duma of the Federal Assembly of the Russian Federation "On international cooperation in the fight against terrorism"

The State Duma of the Federal Assembly of the Russian Federation resolves to:

- 1. Adopt the statement of the State Duma of the Federal Assembly of the Russian Federation "On international cooperation in the fight against terrorism".
- 2. Submit the present Resolution and the above-mentioned Statement to V.V. Putin, the President of the Russian Federation; The Government of the Russian Federation; the UN Security Council; The European Parliament; the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe; the Parliamentary Assembly of NATO, the Parliamentary Assembly of the OSCE.
- 3. Forward the present Resolution and the above-mentioned Statement to the "Parliamentskaya gazeta" to be officially published.
- 4. The present Resolution comes into force since the day of its adoption.

President of the State Duma of the Russian federation

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## STATEMENT BY THE STATE DUMA

# On International Cooperation in the Fight Against Terrorism

The unprecedented and inhuman terrorist acts that were perpetrated in the Russian Federation have evoked an enormous wave of manifestations of international solidarity with the people of Russia. The State Duma of the Federal Assembly of the Russian Federation expresses profound gratitude to all the national parliaments, international organizations, state and public figures, and the peoples of foreign states that voiced their sympathy for our country and were with us at this difficult moment. Russia appreciates that help and cherishes its friends.

The deputies of the State Duma are convinced: at the present time the internationalization of terrorism must be opposed by the internationalization of efforts for its eradication. It is necessary, at last, to realize that only a united international community will be able to exterminate international terrorism, its social and economic roots, and its financial basis. In the face of this terrible menace the achievement of national geopolitical aims by any means, including those that allow the use of terrorists, rebels or separatists as tactical fellow travelers, should be given up at once.

Against the background of the sincere expression of support to the people of Russia, the statements of certain foreign politicians and mass media sound cynical and irresponsible, that are trying to lay responsibility for the criminal actions of terrorists on Russia, which became the object of their attack. The State Duma again resolutely declares the inadmissibility of using double standards in the struggle against the chief evil of our time. Terrorists cannot be good or bad, murderers

cannot be moderate. There can be no deals with those who shoot into children's backs.

Those who shelter militants' emissaries, allow within their territory the free functioning of extremist information-and-propaganda centers, and permit the conduct of provocative undertakings in support of separatism not only cause a split in the antiterrorist coalition and inspire bandits to commit new crimes, but also endanger their own peoples. The expanding geography of terrorist acts since the beginning of the 21st century, their growing cruelty, and the turning of civilians, even children, into the main object of terror make international solidarity in the fight against terrorism unalternative.

The State Duma calls upon the authorities of the United States of America and the authorities of Britain to act in accordance with the United Nations Security Council's Resolution 1373 (2001) and put a stop to the activities within their territory of Ilyas Akhmadov and Akhmed Zakayev, both on the international wanted list. The State Duma also appeals to the other member states of the antiterrorist coalition not to permit the entry of those persons as being suspected of involvement in terrorism to their territory and to help secure their international isolation.

The world community needs to draw the most serious lessons from the recent tragic events, to take into account the mistakes and, without waiting for new crimes by extremists, move, at long last, from a declared readiness to coordinate efforts in the fight against international terrorism to effective steps in this direction. The deputies of the State Duma remind all members of the world community of the previous initiatives and proposals of the State Duma regarding measures to combat international terrorism.

The State Duma will be making every effort to ensure that just this understanding prevails and finds its practical application at the upcoming events in the framework of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe,

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Parliamentary Assembly of the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe, the Inter-Parliamentary Union and other forums, of which the Russian parliamentarians are active participants. In this connection the State Duma notes the relevance of the provisions of the Final Declaration of the St. Petersburg Inter-Parliamentary Forum on the Combating of Terrorism, of March 28, 2002, which emphasizes the "inadmissibility of any double standards, stereotypes or selectivity based on political considerations in the assessment of acts and manifestations of terrorism in various regions of the world."

Supporting the actions being taken by the President of the Russian Federation and the federal bodies of executive authority, the State Duma for its part will do everything necessary to ensure that the unity of the participants of the antiterrorist coalition become reality and help counter international terrorism effectively and ensure the security and integrity of states.

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