MIKE DEWINE
GOVERNOR
STATE OF OHIO

Executive Order 2022-02D

State of Ohio's Response to Russia's Unjust War on the Country of Ukraine

WHEREAS, under President Vladimir Putin, the Russian forces are waging a war against the Ukrainian people, indiscriminately killing innocent civilians, destroying homes and communities, and creating a refugee crisis in Europe; and

WHEREAS, the Ukrainian people, under the leadership of President Volodymyr Zelenskyy, have shown enormous resolve and incredible courage in the face of this attack by Russia; and

WHEREAS, the State of Ohio is home to approximately 80,000 Ukrainians, both immigrants and their descendants – many of whom still have family in Ukraine; and

WHEREAS, the State of Ohio and Ukraine share common values including freedom, democracy, and the rule of law; and

WHEREAS, the State of Ohio stands firmly with Ukraine and strongly condemns Russia's actions; and

WHEREAS, the State of Ohio supports the federal sanctions imposed against Russia in response to its senseless attack on the Ukrainian people; and

WHEREAS, the State of Ohio will not permit its own investment or purchasing activity to aid Russia in violation of the rights of the Ukrainian people; and

WHEREAS, the State of Ohio supports the domestic production of technology and energy, which are essential to the United States' national security, so that freedom is not threatened by hostile foreign actors, and the State of Ohio encourages the federal government to do the same.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Mike DeWine, Governor of the State of Ohio, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of this State do hereby order and direct that:

- All State agencies, boards and commissions, state educational institutions, and pension funds, to the extent practicable:

1. Divest their money in assets from any investment in any Russian institution or company and to refrain from making any investments in such institutions or companies in the future; and
2. To terminate any contracts with a Russian institution or company and to refrain from entering into any new contracts with such institutions or companies in the future.

- The Department of Administrative Services, through Ohio's Chief Procurement Officer, shall ensure all of the following:

    1. All agency procurement officers (APOs), or the person with equivalent duties at each executive agency, board, or commission shall have standard language in all contracts, to the extent practicable, which:
        i. Reflect this Order's prohibition on the purchases of services from or investments in Russian institutions or companies.
        ii. Require service providers or prospective service providers to:
            a. Affirm that they understand and will abide by the requirements of this Order; and
            b. Disclose the principal location of business for the contractor and all subcontractors who are supplying services to the State under the proposed contracts.
    2. All APOs confirm that all quotations, statements of work, and other such proposals for services affirm this Order's prohibition on the purchase of Russian institutions or companies' services and include all of this Order's disclosure requirements.
        i. Any such proposal for services lacking the affirmation and disclosure requirements of the Order will not be considered.
        ii. Any such proposal for purchases of services from or investments in Russian institutions or companies will not be considered.
    3. All procurement manuals, directives, policies, and procedures reflect the requirements of this Order.
    4. All APOs have adequate training which addresses the terms of this Order.
    5. For purposes of this Order, "Company" means a sole proprietorship, partnership, corporation, national association, société anonyme, limited liability company, limited partnership, limited liability partnership, joint venture, or other business organization, including their subsidiaries and affiliates, that operates to earn a profit.

Nothing in this Order is intended to contradict any State or federal law.

This order shall be read in conjunction with Executive Order 2019-12D "Governing the Expenditure of Public Funds for Offshore Services" which already largely prohibits the contracting and purchasing of services from overseas sources including subcontractors.

I signed this Executive Order on March 3, 2022, in Columbus, Ohio, and it shall remain in effect unless rescinded or modified by a future Executive Order of the Governor.

Mike DeWine, Governor

ATTEST:

Frank LaRose, Secretary of State

Filed on March 3, 2022
Per H. Stewart-Yon
In the Office of the Secretary
of State at Columbus, OH
FRANK LaROSE
Secretary of State