

From darkness, light.

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Statement in response to the Russian invasion of Ukraine:

Holocaust Museum Houston stands with the Ukrainian people and condemns the Russian invasion of Ukraine. The invasion has already caused untold suffering and displacement of civilians. It is the responsibility of us all to stand against this war of aggression.

The exploitation of history to justify the Russian invasion distorts the historical truth of the Holocaust. The bombing of the memorial site at Babi Yar shows a disregard for human life and the memory of the 33,771 Jewish people who were murdered there.

As Holocaust Survivor and Nobel Peace Prize recipient Elie Wiesel reminds us, "We must always take sides. Neutrality helps the oppressor, never the victim. Silence encourages the tormentor, never the tormented."

Sincerely,

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