

TO:

**THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE INTERNATIONAL UNION OF
PSYCHOLOGICAL SCIENCE**

FROM:

LITHUANIAN PSYCHOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION

**A MOTION FOR TERMINATION OF MEMBERSHIP OF THE RUSSIAN
PSYCHOLOGICAL SOCIETY**

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The Lithuanian Psychological Association would like to draw the attention of the General Assembly of the International Union of Psychological Science to the following facts about the Russian Psychological Society:

1. The Presidium of the Russian Psychological Society decided to establish a regional division of the Russian Psychological Society in the occupied territory of Ukraine at the meeting of the Presidium on October 20, 2023.

The action of the Russian Psychological Society to establish a division in the territory of another country is a serious political statement supporting the criminal government of the Russian Federation.

The decision is publicized on the website of the Russian Psychological Society¹.

2. A person who is suspected of having committed war crimes and crimes against humanity is an honorary member of the Russian Psychological Society.

¹ <http://psyrus.ru/rpo/documentation/resheniya-prezidiuma-rpo/>

Former Minister of Defense of the Russian Federation Sergei Shoigu (he was a minister of Defence in 2012-2024) is an honorary member of the Russian Psychological Society. The information is presented on the website of the Russian Psychological Society in the section about honorary members².

The International Criminal Court issued arrest warrant for Sergei Shoigu for alleged crimes committed during Russia's invasion of Ukraine³.

Minister Shoigu is included in the sanction list of the Canadian Government⁴ as he is a member of Russia's Security Council that bears the greatest responsibility for Russia's unprovoked and unjustified invasion of Ukraine.

Reference to the decision of the Canadian Government is made because IUPsyS is registered in Canada.

3. Two members of the Russian Psychological Society - Galazhinsky Eduard Vladimirovich and Gaidamashko Igor Vyacheslavovich - signed a letter⁵ of university rectors supporting the war against Ukraine on March 4, 2022. Both persons are Vice-presidents of the Russian Psychological Society.

4. President of Russian Psychological Society Yuri Petrovich Zinchenko falsely claims that he is a member of the Presidium of the International Union of Psychological Science (IUPsyS).

The following information is presented on the website of Russian Psychological Society⁶. The following paragraph was translated from Russian into English with DeepL.com (free version):

„Elected President of the Russian Psychological Society, Honorary President of the Society of Psychologists of Power Structures, member of the Presidium of the International Union of Psychological Sciences (IUPsyS) at UNESCO, member of the governing bodies of the International Association of Applied Psychology (IAAP), member of the Executive Committee of the European Federation of Psychological Associations (EFPA), member of the Russian Philosophical Society,,

² <http://psyrus.ru/psychologists/honorary/>

³ <https://www.icc-cpi.int/news/situation-ukraine-icc-judges-issue-arrest-warrants-against-sergei-kuzhugetovich-shoigu-and>

⁴ https://www.international.gc.ca/world-monde/issues_development-enjeux_developpement/response_conflict-reponse_conflits/crisis-crisis/ukraine-sanctions.aspx?lang=eng

⁵ <https://rsr-online.ru/news/2022/3/4/obrashenie-rossijskogo-soyuza-rektorov/>

⁶ <https://psyrus.ru/psychologists/rpopsych/psychologist/260/>



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Based on the above-mentioned facts, the Lithuanian Psychological Association proposes to the General Assembly of the International Union of Psychological Science to expel the Russian Psychological Society from its membership.

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