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REGIONAL INTEGRATION

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**PRESS RELEASE**

**ACCRA, 25<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY, 2022** – Further to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Regional Integration's Press Release of 24<sup>th</sup> February, 2022, on the deteriorating security situation in Ukraine and the safety of the Ghanaian nationals there, the Ministry wishes to update the general public as follows:

- i) The Ministry through its Mission in Berne, Switzerland and the Honorary Consulate in Ukraine are in touch with the Ghanaian students in Ukraine through their leaders.
- ii) A list of students has been compiled to facilitate an evacuation exercise.
- iii) Following the closure of the Ukrainian airspace, it had become challenging to airlift our compatriots from Kiev and other parts of the country. Hence the only viable means of evacuation is by land to neighbouring countries such as Moldova, Belarus, Slovakia and Hungary.
- iv) Discussions with the authorities in Switzerland, Turkey, Moldova, Poland, Hungary, Romania and Slovakia to assist with the smooth evacuation of Ghanaians in Ukraine are far advanced.
- v) The officials of the relevant Ghana diplomatic missions and Honorary Consuls are on standby to facilitate the passage of students who had commenced their journey by road to Romania and Hungary.
- vi) The Government has put in place the necessary package to facilitate the transportation, accommodation, feeding, medical support etc. to ease the burden on our compatriots.

As the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Regional Integration continues to engage with other stakeholders such as the Ghana Scholarships Secretariat, the Security Services and other State Institutions, we urge our compatriots to remain calm as measures are finalised for their imminent safe evacuation.

The Ministry will keep updating the general public on the progress of the evacuation exercise.

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