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Dear Mr Shkarlet,

Thank you for your letter from April 27, 2022 asking for our support in conducting the Ukrainian admission exams.

First, we would like to express our personal concerns for the circumstances in which you continue your work. It is commendable how you keep supporting the education of Ukrainian children and young people in the midst of the conflict.

You have asked if the Netherlands would be able to facilitate the admission exams for higher education institutions. We would like to inform you that it's our pleasure to help you with this request.

Currently we are looking into how we can facilitate the exams, in consultation with our higher education institutions and the Ukrainian embassy in the Netherlands. Some education institutions have been found willing to help with this request, for which we are very grateful. However, their ability to facilitate the exams is subject to further information from the Ukrainian Ministry of Education and Science. We are closely involved in the further course of action.

In order to make sure that the organization and conduction of the exams go well, the Dutch Ministry of Education, Culture and Science and the Ukrainian Ministry of Education and Science, represented by the Ukrainian embassy in the Netherlands, will lay down the responsibilities on facilitating the exams in an agreement.

The agreement will state that in all means the Dutch government is not responsible for the content, or the course of the exam. These will be subject to Ukrainian laws and regulations. The Ukrainian Embassy and the Ukrainian Ministry of Education and Science will have to provide all necessary information to properly facilitate the exams, including at least the number of participants. The Ukrainian embassy also will ensure that there will be enough supervisors which will be present during the exam. This will make it possible for us to help you further in conducting the exams. We hope that the Ukrainian children and young people in the Netherlands will benefit from the possibility to participate in the exams.

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Yours sincerely,

the minister of Education, Culture and Science

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