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Ukraine has recently placed strong restrictions against its citizens who question government actions. Criticism towards the Ukrainian government results in fines and jail terms.

The Yanukovich regime is invoking Marshall law and cracking down on protesters using lethal force.

Canada must strongly condemn the beating and killing of protestors and journalists. The Government of Ukraine and its leadership are to blame for this escalation. Canada must take decisive action including visa revocation and individual sanctions against those responsible for human rights abuse, corruption and illegal business practices in Ukraine.

What concrete measures will the government of the Canada take? A condemnation in a news release from the Prime Minister or a high ranking minister is good, but not good enough.

The gains made by Ukraine in 20 years of independence have fallen by the wayside. Basic rights and liberties are being suppressed. We cannot afford to wait and see. Canada and its partners must act now.

I look forward in hearing from you.

My regards,