

Prof. JuDr. Vladimír Balaš Minister for Education, Youth and Sports of the Czech Republic PRAGUE

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Dear Minister,

On behalf of the delegation of the OSCE PA Ad Hoc Committee on Migration which visited Prague from 14-16 December 2022, I would like to warmly thank you and your colleagues for welcoming us and for briefing us on how the Czech Republic has strived to provide access to education to the thousands of children fleeing the Russian Federation's invasion of Ukraine.

We also had the opportunity to learn more about how this has been achieved in practice during our visit to Elementary School Tusarova on 16 December.

I believe I can speak for the Committee as a whole when I say that we have been truly moved by the warm welcome which the Czech authorities and your fellow citizens have displayed towards Ukrainians seeking safety.

In my upcoming report to the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly I will make sure to share the observations of our delegation concerning examples of good practice as well as areas for further action and support from the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly and its participating States.

Wishing you all the best in your future endeavours.

Yours sincerely,

The Rt Hon Mark Pritchard, MP Vice-President of the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly Chair of the Ad Hoc Committee on Migration

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