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Item No. 3 Electoral Process in Ukraine
File G(U)

EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On December 1, 2004, the Executive Policy Committee submitted the following to Council:

1. That the City of Winnipeg support the peaceful and democratic efforts of the Ukrainian people, who are now gathered in the streets to protest the disgraced electoral results:

2. That the City of Winnipeg appeal to its citizens and to the international community to promote, foster and encourage a free and democratic electoral process and to monitor closely the political situation in Ukraine.

3. That the Proper Officers of the City be authorized to do all things necessary to implement the intent of the foregoing.

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DECISION MAKING HISTORY:

EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On December 1, 2004, the Executive Policy Committee passed the following motion:

WHEREAS the people of Ukraine voted on November 21, 2004 in the second round of presidential elections;

AND WHEREAS there is evidence that the electoral process was flawed, fraudulent and corrupt;

AND WHEREAS the City of Winnipeg and the City of Lviv have in place a Sister City Agreement;

AND WHEREAS the City of Winnipeg has a large population of Ukrainian descent;

AND WHEREAS the City of Lviv and other Ukrainian cities have passed resolutions denouncing the results of the presidential elections;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Winnipeg support the peaceful and democratic efforts of the Ukrainian people, who are now gathered in the streets to protest the disgraced electoral results;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City of Winnipeg appeal to its citizens and to the international community to promote, foster and encourage a free and democratic electoral process and to monitor closely the political situation in Ukraine;

and submitted the matter to Council.