

Højbjerg, den 3.2.23

Til medlemmernes behagelige orientering hermed resume af de mange aktiviteter CCA har været og er involveret i i forbindelse med krigen i Ukraine.

Resumeet har været anvendt til at informere sponsorer og andre relevante aktører.

Since BUSLIFT, initiated a few days after the beginning of the RUS/UKR war, in 10 days, we "lifted" 1000 refugees to Aarhus, 40% women - rest was children - as a welcome to Aarhus, gave them all new clothes and footwear - all made possible by local sponsors, along with the City Council, arranging housing for all.

We demonstrated, at least to ourselves, giving our functions as Honorary Consulars an extended meaning, being able in a agile, rapid and meaningful way to assist with humanitarian aid, when one of our member countries is in distress, Ukraine. - our "mission" finished at the time when recognized NGO's and governmental institutions took over.

Since then we assisted, in Denmark, hospitalized patients from the war zone, covering minor personal costs - also in one instance, proudly financing the repatriation of a terminal-sick person who wanted in the last few weeks of life to return to the native country and his loved ones.

Since the middle of December, we established TRAILERLIFT - a fair amount of some 12-15 trailer loads to Lliv, majority containing new winter clothing for women and children, consigned to Ministry of Health and distributed to the national hospitals and health clinics, along with loads of hospital equipment - last which has led to the current intensive co-operation with the Aarhus City Council, in some instances delivered according to the request of the Ukrainian Embassy.

At this time, coming week, we expect to load the first trailers with bicycles - donated by Aarhus City Council to the city of Lliv.

Due to the social medias, we are regularly approached from various organizations specially looking after our advice within logistics, and together with our logistic & transport provider DFDS A/S, we have just today assisted in 3 instances - we assist where we can - all working, trying, to ease circumstances for the brave people at destination.

A week or two ago, it came to our attention that Aarhus City Council had a wish to donate - sending busses to Ukraine, Lliv which is the "partner city to Aarhus" !



With its refugees from eastern part of the country, Lliv has a infrastructural challenge, and would welcome an early assistance. - Problem for Aarhus however, was the legislation for a donation from a public institution!

Here we could help.

With assistance from our network, we are granted the privilege to offer 1,5 Mio Dkr. to finance the donation of 20 busses, and with today's wonderful phone call from yet other friends from our network, and voluntary assistance from drivers, we can provide the transport and delivery of the project, named BUSLIFT 2 !

- careful planning has started, and first delivery to be executed before end 1st quarter.

A few days ago our contact at the Town Hall looked for ideas to create jobs for the refugees in the City! - by pure luck, we gave it a shot to one of our CCA members, latest most pleasant information seems that 5-10 intermediate jobs can be offered !

For the coming Ocean Race, stopover in Aarhus early June, we hope to be able to release some good news within short - news, we hope will generate a handsome cash donation to a well-deserved activity in Lliv.