



Mercedes-Benz

October 2024

Dear B4Ukraine Coalition,

Thank you for your letter addressed to our CEO, Ola Källenius. I am happy to respond for Mercedes-Benz.

First and foremost, Mercedes-Benz condemns Russia's attack on Ukraine and our thoughts continue to be with the people of Ukraine.

Mercedes-Benz has already suspended the export of passenger cars, vans, car components and spare parts to Russia at the beginning of 2022. The same applies to local manufacturing and own retail operations in Russia. Mercedes-Benz has sold the shares in its Russian subsidiaries to the local investor Avtodom and have completely withdrawn from the Russian market. The future operations lie in the responsibility of the buyer. Since the sale, there have no longer been Mercedes-Benz dealers in Russia that belong to our authorized dealer network.

Mercedes-Benz strictly complies with applicable sanctions and export control regulations. We take all references to potential breaches of sanctions and export control regulations very seriously and follow up on them. In accordance with our corporate duty of care, we have installed intensive awareness and control measures in our global dealer network to minimize the risk of potential sanctions circumvention. This includes, for example, information letters to our authorized sales business partners and audits of our authorized partners. We continuously review the effectiveness of our internal prevention and precautionary measures. We do not tolerate violations of contracts by our partners and react consistently up to the termination of the business relationship. We prohibit sales of our products to unauthorized resellers and outside of contractual territory. Subsequent resales (including parallel imports) outside our authorized sales business partner network, especially those of used vehicles, are unfortunately out of our sphere of influence.

Not only the business side is relevant, but it is very important for us, to support the people of Ukraine in a humanitarian way. We have donated 13 million euros to different organizations to provide a little bit of relief. Here you can find an overview of our specific support for the people of Ukraine:

[Mercedes-Benz: We help when disaster strikes | Mercedes-Benz Group > Responsibility > Society > Corporate Citizenship](#)

I hope this clarifies our position and rest assured that our current business practices mentioned here, is the best possibility we currently have, to stand with the people of Ukraine.

Yours Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'i.V. Marina Krets', is written below the text.

Marina Krets
External Affairs Operations



Business for Ukraine <contact@b4ukraine.org>

Your request from October 14, 2024

Manuel.Sattig@bmwgroup.com <Manuel.Sattig@bmwgroup.com>
To: contact@b4ukraine.org

19 October 2024 at 15:48

Dear B4Ukraine Coalition,

With regard to your request from October 14, 2024, I would like to send you our comments

1. Politicians have decided on wide-ranging sanctions that we explicitly support.
2. Due to the current geopolitical situation, the BMW Group has suspended local production and vehicle exports to the Russian market.
3. Our global retail network is contractually bound to comply with all national and applicable international laws, including applicable export control and sanctions regulations.
4. The BMW Group continuously raises awareness with regard to sanctions compliance to BMW branches and retail partners worldwide.
5. In further communication with BMW branches and retail partners, the BMW Group drew attention to the expansion of sanctions, stressed potential sanctions evasion risks and provided practical guidance regarding red flags and on how to comply with them in day-to-day work.
6. We have not authorized any third-party dealerships in Russia to sell new vehicles.

Best regards

Manuel Sattig

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Business for Ukraine <contact@b4ukraine.org>

Opportunity to Comment regarding business operations in Russia

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To: Business for Ukraine <contact@b4ukraine.org>

15 October 2024 at 19:06

Dear Sirs,

In addition to the Volkswagen Group's already well-known position on the war of aggression against Ukraine, which violates international law, we would like to emphasize that Audi has not been supplying cars directly or knowingly indirectly to Russia since March 2022, in accordance with the applicable EU sanctions regulations. There is currently no licensed importer for the import of our vehicles in Russia. We do not accept grey market imports of cars or original Audi parts to Russia and expressly condemn any kind of circumvention of these sanctions. In addition, all Audi importers are obliged to comply with their contractual sales territories and to take appropriate measures to prevent re-exports to Russia. To be clear: We take reports about possible violations very seriously and follow them up consistently within the scope of our possibilities. If vehicles of our brand have been offered for sale in Russia, they are outside the sphere of influence of AUDI AG.

Sincerely,

Thomas Schwarz

Prof. Dr.-Ing. **Thomas Schwarz**

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