

# **Declaration of Independence of the Autonomous Republic of Crimea and the city of Sevastopol.**

We, members of the Supreme Council of the Autonomous Republic of Crimea and Sevastopol City Council, based on the provisions of the Charter of the United Nations and many other international instruments recognizing the right of peoples to self-determination, as well as taking into account the confirmation by the international Court of Justice on Kosovo July 22, 2010 the fact that the unilateral declaration of independence of a part of the state does not violate any rules of international law, have decided together:

1. If as a result of the upcoming March 16, 2014 of direct expression of will of the peoples of the Crimea will be decided on joining of the Crimea, including the Autonomous Republic of Crimea and the city of Sevastopol to Russia, the Crimea after the referendum will be declared an independent and sovereign state with a republican form of government.
2. Republic of Crimea will be a democratic, secular and multi-ethnic state, which takes the obligation to keep the peace, inter-ethnic and inter-confessional accord in its territory.
3. Republic of Crimea as an independent and sovereign state in the case of the relevant results of the referendum will appeal to the Russian Federation with a proposal for the adoption of the Republic of Crimea, based on the relevant international agreement, into the Russian Federation, as a new subject of the Russian Federation.

**Declaration has been adopted by the Supreme Council of the Autonomous Republic of Crimea** at the extraordinary plenary session of **March 11, 2014**

(signed by the Chairman of the Supreme Council of the Autonomous Republic of Crimea V. Konstantinov),

**and by the Resolution of the Sevastopol City Council** at an extraordinary plenary session of **March 11, 2014**

(signed by the Chairman of the Sevastopol city Council Yu. Doynikov)