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Information letter for refugees from Ukraine

Protection status extended until March 2027

Dear Sir or Madam,

the residence permits of refugees from Ukraine who fled the Russian war of aggression and received protection in Germany **will continue to apply until 4 March 2027**. This has been determined by the Federal Ministry of the Interior and Homeland (BMI) by statutory ordinance.

The continuation applies to **Ukrainian nationals and third-country nationals with a protection status or with a permanent residence permit in Ukraine who cannot return safely and permanently to their home country**, who are registered in Germany and whose residence permits have a deadline after 31 January 2026 or before 4 March 2026 pursuant to Section 24(1) of the Residence Act (AufenthG).

If you belong to this group, you **do not need to apply for an extension of your residence permit**. It is not necessary to arrange an appointment with the Migration Office.

For third-country nationals and stateless persons with a temporary Ukrainian right of residence and without protection status, residence permits valid on 1 February 2024 and extended until 4 March 2025 pursuant to the UkraineAufenthFGV were no longer covered by the scope of the Regulation and **expired on 4 March 2025**. The same applies to residence permits for this category of persons issued between 2 February 2024 and 4 June 2024.

Further information can be found here:

