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Dear Freelancer.com managers and staff members,

“The current barbaric and unjustified war and occupation of Ukraine by the Russian army is a logical outcome of the chauvinist totalitarian regime of Vladimir Putin and his crew. They forced over 6 million Ukrainians to leave their home country and forced other few million Ukrainians to move within the country. The level of destruction of some Ukrainian cities is 60% and more. The whole world is shocked by undeniable evidences of the atrocities committed by Russian soldiers.”

These words we expected to see on the Russian version of your website. We saw nothing. However, the Russian webpage is very important, because Russian serves as the lingua franca for the major part of the exUSSR territory.

Freelancer.com continues to connect Russia-based freelancers with their customers. It means, Freelancer.com helps to avoid sanctions imposed by the government of Australia and other democratic countries.

We still expect Freelancer.com to share common democratic values and freedoms and respects basic human rights. We urge you to join the efforts of the Australian government and other countries to stop the invasion and crush the fascist Putin’s regime.

We urge you to make a clear statement against the war on the Russian version of your website. We urge you to force every Russian-speaking user to explicitly agree with this statement before continuation to your services. It is a crime in Russia to call this war a war and to talk about the atrocities. This is exactly the way you can help to break through the “iron curtain” and force Russians to admit there is a war right now. This is the way you might force the Russian authorities to allow speaking about the war and ease the current pressure on media.

We ask you also to consider pulling our of Russia and Belarus completely. It is ethically unacceptable to collaborate with people who support this aggressive war. We believe the tyranny will fall and you’ll be able to come back to this market.

Still, since more and more Russians – even those employed by the government services and directly involved in this war – use VPN services, it is very important to make a clear statement on your website in Russian.

We urge you to stand with Australia in our joint support of Ukraine!

Yours sincerely,  
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on behalf of  
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