B4Ukraine

Poul Weihrauch Chief Executive Officer Mars, Incorporated 6885 Elm Street McLean, VA 22101 United States

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Dear Mr. Weihrauch and Mars Leadership Team,

We write to you as <u>B4Ukraine</u>, a coalition of Ukrainian and international civil society organizations working to curtail the financial resources enabling the Russian invasion of Ukraine.

We have written to you previously regarding <u>Mars'</u> ongoing operations in Russia. The letters can be found <u>here</u>. We have not received responses to our letter.

B4Ukraine, in collaboration with the Kyiv School of Economics, is planning to publish a report containing information regarding your company's financial contributions in Russia. We are writing to formally enquire about the following information:

- According to the analysis by the Kyiv School of Economics based on the Federal Tax Service
  of Russia, Mars is one of a handful of companies which has not published information
  regarding its profit tax contribution in Russia in 2023. Is the company willing to disclose
  this data? If not, please provide a reason.
- Estimated data from the Kyiv School of Economics, based on the 2022 company filings with the Federal Tax Service of Russia, indicates that Mars is among the highest contributors of profit taxes in Russia in 2023. Mars paid \$99 million in profit tax in Russia in 2022.
- What was the company's total revenue in Russia for the year 2023? What was the total amount of profit tax and other taxes the company paid in Russia in 2023?

We would appreciate it if you could confirm the accuracy of this information or provide corrections if necessary, along with any supporting documents. Additionally, we would welcome any context or comments Mars wishes to provide regarding these figures and its operations in Russia.

B4Ukraine maintains high standards of information verification before publishing. We are providing you with an opportunity to respond concerning the facts we wish to present. We will be awaiting a response from you by **August 29, 2024.** If we don't receive a response from you, we will indicate this in our publication.

Yours truly,

The B4UKraine Coalition