

## Magna halts Russian operations in the face of war

As Russia continues to advance its war in Ukraine, Aurora-based auto parts giant, Magna International has announced it will halt operations in Russia.

In addition to stopping operations in Russia, Magna announced its support for the United Nations Refugee Agency, which has been working to assist Ukrainians fleeing violence.

“Like most in the international community, we remain deeply concerned with the very unfortunate situation in Ukraine,” said Magna in a statement. “Given current conditions, Magna is idling its Russian operations. Although we do not have facilities in Ukraine, we have the privilege of working with thousands of Ukrainian colleagues in our Magna operations around the world as well as those from Russia who share the same values of human rights, diversity and inclusion. We are making a significant donation to the UN Refugee Agency and will match employee contributions for the well-being and safety of Ukrainian people, which remains a paramount concern during this difficult time.”

Starting on Friday, Magna encouraged employees to make donations to the UNHCR with donations “automatically counted towards the Magna Match.”

“The Office of the UNHCR, also known as the UN Refugee Agency, is a global organization dedicated to saving lives, protecting rights, and building a better future for refugees, forcibly displaced communities, and stateless people. UNHCR works to ensure that everyone who has fled violence, war, disaster or persecution at home, has the right to seek asylum and find refuge,” said the company. “Magna’s donation will provide humanitarian relief through protection, shelter and monetary assistance for refugees and displaced people affected by the Ukraine crisis.”

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