

JOINT DECLARATION

The 1956 Revolution and Freedom Fight was one of the most important and uplifting moments in the history of the Hungarian nation. Sixty years ago our nation united to shake off the yoke of the occupying power and to proclaim faith in a free and democratic Hungary.

In the autumn of 2016, on the sixtieth anniversary of the 1956 Revolution and Freedom Fight, the parties of the Hungarian parliament call upon all Hungarians, wherever they may live in the world, to bow their heads in honour of the heroes and victims of '56, and to celebrate the anniversary with feelings of love and pride. We ask everyone to nurture and pass on to their descendants the most beautiful memory of the Hungarian people's desire for freedom. We ask friends of the Hungarian people around the world to celebrate and to remember together with us.

In the autumn of 2016 we would like to commemorate the events of sixty years ago with the joy and shared hope which lit the flame of the Revolution on the afternoon of 23 October 1956, which prevailed, and which to this day continues to serve as a dependable yardstick for all freedom-loving people of the world.

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