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The National University of Kyiv-Mohyla Academy is pleased to introduce the first issue of *Kyiv-Mohyla Law and Politics Journal* (KMLPJ). KMLPJ is an academic, peer-reviewed journal which provides a unique focus on many aspects of Ukrainian law and political issues, including their broader international contexts.

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The continued operation and academic excellence of the National University of Kyiv-Mohyla Academy is a constant reminder of the dedication of our faculty and students. Our university has stood for 400 years because we continue to innovate. I am committed to making the KMLPJ a success and to ensure that it serves as an internationally recognized journal in the near future.

I welcome any suggestions to improve the journal, broaden readership, and solicit additional authorship.

*Sincerely,*

*Andriy Meleshevych*

*President of the National University of Kyiv-Mohyla Academy*