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Neo-Nazi Marches

The Governing Board of the World Jewish Congress, meeting in Ottawa on 15 May 2019,

NOTES WITH ALARM the recent and repeated manifestation of neo-Nazi marches across Europe, which draw a small number of international supporters in a show of solidarity with local demonstrators, united by an agenda of antisemitism, hatred, xenophobia, and Nazi glorification;

CONDEMNS in the strongest possible terms the threat that these marches pose to the safety of Jewish and other minority communities and to the wellbeing of free and democratic societies;

EMPHASIZES the dangers that arise when such demonstrations are allowed to proceed, with their messages of hate and violence, particularly in countries where Nazism is still praised to the detriment and disservice of all;

CALLS once again on governments to take all necessary measures to ensure the safety of their Jewish communities and other vulnerable minorities;

CALLS UPON governments to allocate sufficient funds to help affected Jewish communities cover their security costs in the face of these increasing threats;

CALLS UPON all governments to be vigilant in taking decisive action to prioritize and introduce administrative bans against neo-Nazi marches and political parties, and to enact proper legislation to penalize the use Nazi symbols and other similar manifestations of Nazi glorification.