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Terror Attacks against Places of Worship

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

CONDEMNS in the strongest terms the recent terrorist attacks against religious institutions, including the two mosques in Christchurch, New Zealand, three Christian and Catholic churches in Sri Lanka, synagogues in Pittsburgh and Poway in the United States, and others around the world;

REJECTS all forms of religious or political extremism, which are wreaking havoc in our societies;

CONSIDERS these kinds of attacks as crimes against believers of all faiths;

CALLS ON the relevant authorities, including law enforcement, in all countries to take all necessary steps to guarantee the security and safety of all houses of worship;

CALLS ON all governments to create and implement educational programs to promote religious diversity and tolerance.