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## PRESS RELEASE

## ANIC Condemns the Terrorist Attack at the Mosque in the City of Quebec in Canada

The Australian National Imams Council (ANIC) condemns the heinous, atrocious and cowardly terrorist attack committed by the deranged criminals at a Muslim place of worship in the city of Quebec in Canada last night.

Hate crimes, irrespective of their remoteness or frequency, make all of humanity suffer regardless of religion, ethnicity or race.

The destructive rhetoric by some prominent global and local leaders, extending to some media agencies and journalists, has only fuelled Islamophobia. This rhetoric has no place in our communities or countries and only serves to divide us while undermining our greatest strength and unity.

In light of this, The Australian National Imams Council (ANIC) and the Muslim community continue to show gratitude and appreciation for the determination and effort of morally inclined people on matters that unite us all. We can only request that you assist by being of the people that are fair and balanced even when surrounded by polarising and divisive views.

We pray to Allah (GOD) the almighty to have mercy upon the souls of the innocent brothers who were recently killed in Canada, We pray to him to be with those who are injured and grant them a speedy recovery, we also pray to him to grant the families of the victims patience and rewards.

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