Statement on Shooting at Mosque in Quebec City

January 30, 2017

Our thoughts and prayers go out to the victims, the injured, and their families at the Quebec City mosque. It is with sadness that we send our deepest condolences to those affected by this tragedy. We pray that God has mercy on the victims and their families.

We are taught that our communities are like one body. When one part suffers, we all suffer. The National Muslim Christian Liaison Committee condemns all acts of violence and words of division and hate. We come together to build peace, resilience, healing and to work for the common good. We resist attempts to sow division and hatred among people of faith. We pray that our country continues to be a place of hope for those who are disadvantaged and a refuge for those who have been displaced.

The *National Muslim Christian Liaison Committee* of Canada is a forum for respectful dialogue on themes of common interest and for the exchange of faith-related concerns and areas of sensitivity between Muslims and Christians, through official representatives of both faiths. We seek to build long-lasting friendships and cooperation between Christians and Muslims, and to work toward a society based in values of compassion, respect and collaboration.

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