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Declaration on the terrorist attack in Istanbul

The Council of the Socialist International vigorously condemns without reservation the cowardly and indiscriminate terrorist assault on innocent civilians at Istanbul Atatürk Airport. We extend our deepest condolences to the family and friends of the victims and our sympathy to the Turkish nation.

The international community must stand together against terror and the Socialist International is fully committed in this endeavour. Now is a time for all decent people around the world to unite in defence of the universal values of freedom, tolerance and peace, and reject the chaos, destruction and fear caused by terrorism.

The Socialist International once more calls on all its member parties and the entire international community to join in a comprehensive response to terrorism in order to eliminate this scourge without sacrificing the fundamental freedoms and rights that these attacks seek to undermine.

The Council recognises the global scope of terrorism, with its deadly trail of victims in countries and cities in Europe, the USA, Asia, Africa and the Middle East. It further extends its solidarity to all victims of terrorist attacks, underlining that the response to terrorism must also be global.
