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MCCBCHST STATEMENT NO PLACE FOR VIOLENCE IN RELIGION

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The Malaysian Consultative Council of Buddhism, Christianity, Hinduism, Sikhism and Taoism (MCCBCHST) is deeply saddened to hear of the rising religious tensions in parts of France that have resulted in the loss of innocent lives. The MCCBCHST sincerely extends its prayers and condolences to the families of the victims.

At a time when the world is confronting a global pandemic, such acts of violence and savagery only causes more pain and confusion to an already fragmented and polarised society. Terrorism and brutality are certainly not paths towards conflict resolution and reconciliation because they only incite further acts of violence.

While upholding the right to freedom of expression, this right must be exercised with prudence and discernment, in a way that promotes unity and respects fraternity for the whole human family. All religions are pathways to peace and therefore no religion can condone or justify such horrid actions that impact the lives of many peace loving people.

We also call on the political and religious leaders, both local and international, to act responsibly so as to not inflame the current situation that is already vulnerable and at risk. These dreadful acts must awaken in all of us a great commitment to work for peace and harmony at all levels.

We also call on the Malaysian government to ensure that such acts do not happen here, especially in a multi-racial and multi-religious society, and seek to promote greater understanding and respect among all Malaysians.

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