

We stand with Israel -- in grief, in solidarity, in our resolve to fight terrorism.

Again and again, terrorists intent on destroying Israel and halting the Arab-Israeli peace process have taken their deadly toll of innocent lives. In the latest horrific attacks, scores have been killed: Israelis young and old; Jews and non-Jews; citizens and visitors, including two young Americans.

We stand as one in our condemnation of those who commit and assist such heinous acts. The murderers and their supporters serve no agenda other than blind, fanatical hatred. Israelis, Palestinians, the international community must act to stop these killers now. Through every practical means, the promoters of terror must be defeated, their pipelines of financial and logistical support choked off.

We stand as one with the people of Israel and Jews the world over in mourning the victims of terrorist murder -- as we have stood with Israel in other times of peril, and in times of accomplishment and hope. We stand with Israel in its age-old quest for peace and security.

This is a time of sorrow and reflection for the people of Israel, and for all who seek peace. It is a time of challenge for a country that has maintained its commitment to peace and freedom under relentless attack. We stand with Israel -- in grief, in solidarity, and in our resolve to fight terrorists committed to the death of innocents and the death of hope.

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