

THE PRESIDENT OF THE STORTING

Excellency,

On behalf of the Norwegian Parliament, I wish to extend my heartfelt condolences to you and to the families of the victims of the heinous act that was carried out in Lahore last Sunday and that took the lives of many innocent people, including numerous women and children.

It is our responsibility as parliamentarians to promote the democratic values and freedom of religion that are of such vital importance. We must never give up this important work.

Words fail to express the strong emotional response we have to such acts of terror. However, I wish to assure the Parliament of Pakistan of our deepest sympathy and solidarity in this time of mourning.

Oslo, 29 March 2016

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His Excellency Mr Raza Rabbani Chairman of the Senate Pakistan