



From darkness, light.

April 22, 2019

In response to Sri Lanka:

At Holocaust Museum Houston, we honor the victims of the Holocaust and other genocides who were persecuted and murdered because of who they were and what they believed. Today, we continue to see a rise in antisemitism and religious persecution. We want to once again use the Museum's collective voice to strongly condemn ongoing religious persecution around the world.

On the evening of April 21, 2019, 290 civilians in Sri Lanka were killed and over 500 injured after multiple terrorist attacks were executed at local hotels and churches on Easter Sunday. It has been confirmed that along with the citizens of Sri Lanka, tourists from Australia, Britain, China, Japan, Portugal and the United States were among those killed in these attacks.

On behalf of our Board, staff, and members, we send our deepest condolences. To the victims of this horrific hate crime in Sri Lanka and to their families, we stand with you in solidarity and send a wish for the memories of all the victims to forever be a blessing.

Together, we will continue to work to combat hatred, prejudice, and apathy around the world—in keeping with our vision to *envision a society that transforms ignorance into respect for human life, that remembers the Holocaust, and that affirms an individual's responsibility for the collective actions of society.*

Sincerely,

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