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Fethullah Gülen’s Statement of Condolences and Condemnation for Manhattan Terrorist Attack

I am deeply shocked and saddened by the atrocious terrorist attack in Manhattan which resulted in the deaths of eight innocent civilians and left 11 others injured. I strongly condemn this despicable and senseless act of violence.

Every single act of terrorism is a blow to humanity everywhere. This attack was not only against New Yorkers and Americans but against universal human values that we all share. I reiterate my categorical condemnation of all forms of terror and violence, which cannot be justified under any circumstance.

I send my sincere condolences to the victims’ families, loved ones and to all people who call New York home. I pray for the quick recovery of the injured and pray to God the Most Compassionate to lead all humanity to a world of peace and tranquility.

About Fethullah Gülen

Fethullah Gülen is an Islamic scholar, preacher and social advocate, whose decades-long commitment to education, interfaith dialogue and altruism has inspired millions in Turkey and around the world. Gülen is the honorary chairman of the Rumi Forum, Washington, DC and the Intercultural Dialogue Platform, Brussels, Belgium.

About Alliance for Shared Values

The Alliance for Shared Values (AFSV) is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit that serves as a voice for cultural organizations affiliated with Hizmet, a civil society movement inspired by prominent preacher and peace advocate Fethullah Gülen. The Alliance strives to promote peace and social harmony by helping reduce misinformation and false stereotypes about any or all ethnic, cultural and religious communities. To learn more about the Alliance, please visit www.afsv.org.

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