Primate of the Russian Church expresses condolences over terrorist attack in Nice

His Holiness Patriarch Kirill of Moscow and All Russia expressed his condolences over the terrorist attack in Nice that had claimed the lives of many people. The text of the message is given below.

His Excellency Mr. François HOLLANDE

President

French Republic

Your Excellency, dear Mr. President,

I was deeply grieved to learn about the horrific terrorist attack in Nice, as the result of which over eighty people had died and many had been injured. Please accept my sincere condolences in this tragic moment for all the French people and convey my words of support and sympathy to the relatives and friends of those who died and were injured.

The Russian Orthodox Church strongly condemns such atrocities targeting human life. I am convinced that the terrorist and his accomplices who committed their crime on the French National Day have failed to sow fear among the peace-loving people of France.

I pray to the All-Merciful Lord that He give rest to the souls of those killed, heal the wounded and grant fortitude to their families and to all the French people.

With profound condolences,

+KIRILL

PATRIARCH OF MOSCOW AND ALL RUSSIA

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