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United in a Vision for Truth

**This statement has been issued following today's meeting of the
Foundation's National Council of Imams and Rabbis
23-03-17**

We are horrified by yesterday's barbaric murders at Westminster. This attack was directed against innocent people and also against our Mother of Parliaments, the symbol of our shared values of Democracy, Respect for the Rule of Law, Equality, Justice and Freedom of Speech. The depraved aim of the perpetrator/s was to spread division and hatred by striking at the heart of what unites us. They will not succeed.

We condemn the attack and its objectives unreservedly. Our communities will continue to stand firm and united and we shall strengthen our commitment to work, support and cooperate with each other. We will not allow hatred and prejudice to divide us.

Our thoughts and prayers are with the families and friends of the innocent people who lost their lives or were injured in the attack.

May God strengthen all who work for peace and friendship.

Sir David Michels

Trustee

Judge Khurshid Drabu CBE

Trustee

The Foundation's National Council of Imams and Rabbis

1. Dayan Binstock, Senior rabbi, St Johns Wood United Synagogue and member of London Bet Din
2. Rabbi Joseph Dweck; Senior rabbi, Spanish and Portuguese Community
3. Sheikh Khalifa Ezzat, Senior imam, Central mosque and Cultural Centre, London
4. Qari Muhammad Asim MBE, Senior imam, Makkah mosque, Leeds
5. Rabbi Ian Morris; Senior rabbi, Sinai synagogue, Leeds
6. Rabbi Jason Kleiman, Senior rabbi, Leeds orthodox synagogue
7. Rabbi Danny Rich, Chief Executive, Liberal Judaism UK
8. Shaykh Abdul Qayum, senior imam, East London Mosque & London Muslim Centre
9. Rabbi Alexandra Wright, Senior rabbit, Liberal Jewish Synagogue, London
10. Imam Muhammad Ismail; Senior imam, Central mosque, Birmingham



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11. Rabbi David Lister; Senior rabbi, Edgware United Synagogue
12. Maulana Shahid Raza OBE; senior imam, Leicester Central Mosque, The Muslim Law (Shariah) Council, UK
13. Rabbi Dr Harvey Belovski; Senior rabbi, Golders Green Synagogue
14. Mufti AK Barkatullah; Leyton Shari'ah Council, London
15. Rabbi Jonathan Wittenberg, Senior rabbi, New North London Masorti synagogue
16. Rabbi Mark Goldsmith, senior rabbi, Alyth Garden synagogue
17. Imam Abdullah Hasan; senior imam; Holborn Mosque, London
18. Rabbi Colin Eimer, Senior rabbi, Sha'arei Tsedek North London Reform Synagogue
19. Dilwar Khan, Executive Director, East London mosque
20. Imam Asim Hafiz OBE; Islamic advisor to the Chiefs of Staff
21. Rabbi Dr Margaret Jacobi, Senior rabbi, Birmingham progressive synagogue
22. Imam Abul Hussain; Deputy imam, East London Mosque & London Muslim Centre
23. Rabbi Daniel Smith, Senior rabbi, Edgware & District Reform Synagogue
24. Imam Dr Ather Hussain; Senior imam, Nottingham mosque
25. Rabbi Reuven Silverman, Senior rabbi, Manchester Reform synagogue
26. Mehri Niknam MBE, Convener of the Council

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