



WE REJECT TERRORISM.

The terrorist attacks in Paris horrify us. We are stunned at the depths of hatred that are opening up among us in Europe. We suffer with all who bear the suffering, to the families, friends, neighbors, they are our friends, our neighbors. We cry together, we fight together, we hope together.

Today, a few days after the terror, we send this declaration forth. We invite all those who feel human and think democratically to join us. We ask you to sign the Bochum Declaration and to carry its message with you.

BOCHUM DECLARATION

Terror has no place in our society.
Terror and democracy are mutually exclusive of each other.

A terrorist is one who believes he is the ruler over life and death. A terrorist is one who thinks he is the master of truth and error. Whoever places himself in God's place, is a terrorist.

We refuse any justification, any solidarity, any support for terror.

Those who believe in God agree with those who do not believe in God: terror can not be God's will. An idea that requires human sacrifice is barbaric. A culture that wants death and not life is a culture of death.

Our life together is based on the respect for the other and that nobody has the right to make himself master over others - no matter what gender and what color they have, what convictions they represent and to which God they profess their faith.

We respect each other, precisely because we are different, because we have different views, because we resolve conflicts democratically and without violence.

We respect each other—we reject terrorism.

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