

Montreal Holocaust Museum Statement on Halle Synagogue Attack

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The Montreal Holocaust Museum expresses its deepest condolences to the families of the victims of the senseless attack that took place in Halle, Germany as a gunman attempted to force his way into a synagogue and then targeted a nearby kebab restaurant.

This attack took place on Yom Kippur, the holiest day in the Hebrew calendar where Jewish communities around the world wish for peace. We condemn this abhorrent act of violence and its perpetrator who sought to harm innocent people gathered in peaceful prayer. We must not remain silent while minorities and their places of worship are targeted by violent crimes rooted in extreme far-right ideology, hatred and Holocaust denial.

We call for solidarity across all cultures, backgrounds and beliefs. Speaking out against all forms of discrimination, hatred and prejudice is imperative. The Montreal Holocaust Museum stands in solidarity with Jewish communities worldwide and remains steadfast in its mission to educate about the perils of unchecked hatred, racism and antisemitism.

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