

Musée Holocauste Montréal Montreal Holocaust Museum

The Montreal Holocaust Museum Condemns the Recent Islamophobic Attack in London, Ontario

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The Montreal Holocaust Museum expresses its deepest condolences to the family of the victims of the horrific hate-motivated attack on June 6th in London, Ontario. Our thoughts are with Faez Afzaal, the sole survivor of this tragedy, and we remember his murdered family: his father, Syed Afzaal; his mother, Madiha Salman; his sister, Yumnah Afzaal, and his grandmother, Talat Afzaal.

We stand in solidarity with Muslim communities in Canada and around the world, as we are reminded, once again, of the consequences of Islamophobia and hate.

Tragically, this is not the first deadly attack against members of Muslim communities in Canada. Although the Museum recognizes the importance of speaking out and expressing solidarity, we also acknowledge that our leaders must do more to combat the proliferation of hate crimes and the disparaging of minority groups.

Everyone deserves to live without fear of being targeted for their beliefs or backgrounds. We call for solidarity that transcends differences. We are also reminded of our common responsibility to speak out against all forms of discrimination, hatred, and prejudice. **Together, we must loudly declare that there is no space for Islamophobia.**

The history of the Holocaust teaches us the dangers of indifference in the face of hatred. Today and always, we are reminded of our collective responsibility to denounce all forms of racism.

We stand with #OurLondonFamily.

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