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ALDA in mourning for the attacks in Brussels But we shall never surrender to terror or hate!



Statement of the President of ALDA

Once again, the world is shaken by hideous terroristic attacks. This time it happened in Brussels, the heart of Europe, a city speaking all the languages of the world and home to Europeans and non-Europeans – colleagues, family, and friends. Our thoughts are with the victims of this nonsense, and our deepest condolences go to their families.

Under no circumstances we will stop condemning such a barbarity. European values, *in primis* tolerance and respect for diversity, have to keep guiding our action and life. But this is proof that Europe needs more unity. We expect the European Member States and institutions to fight more strongly terror threat, which is destroying our way of life and our values.

Aware of the importance of our work promoting dialogue and peace, we shall never surrender to terror or hate.

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