



THE PRESIDENT

Jerusalem, March 19, 2019

Your Excellency,

I am writing to you, on behalf of the State of Israel and its people, to express our horror and total condemnation of the terrible terrorist attacks at the mosques in Christchurch on Friday that caused such great loss of life and injury. We send our condolences to Your Excellency and to all the people of New Zealand.

A massacre in a place of prayer is an evil and despicable act. Murdering people who have come to pray, in this case Moslems, in the most holy and purest location for human beings during their prayer services is clearly an act that crosses all red lines. We are all, Jews, Moslems and Christians, the children of God; an attack on any one religion is an attack on us all.

Please convey our deepest sympathy to the families of the victims and a speedy and full recovery to all the wounded.

Yours sincerely, *from the bottom of our*
R. Rivlin *Heart*

Reuven (Ruvi) Rivlin

Her Excellency
The Rt. Hon. Dame Patsy Reddy
Governor-General of New Zealand