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The Royal Commonwealth Society expresses its deepest condolences to the people of Sri Lanka and those affected by the Easter bombings.

The Royal Commonwealth Society (RCS) expresses its deepest sympathy and condolences for the victims and families dealing with the aftermath of the senseless killings in Colombo over the Easter period.

Chief Executive of The Royal Commonwealth Society, Dr Greg Munro, says in times of such tragedy, the Commonwealth family should come together to offer its collective support to those afflicted by such heinous acts of violence and remember the values that bind this network of 53 countries together:

‘The Commonwealth believes in the importance of tolerance, respect, understanding, moderation and religious freedom across its family of 2.4 billion citizens, and beyond. In these uncertain times, we must remember the values that bind us together and oppose, in the strongest possible terms, all those that wish to divide our peoples through fear and violence. The Society stands in solidarity with the people of Sri Lanka and Colombo at this tragic time, especially those who have lost loved ones through this senseless act of terror.’ he said.

Notes to Editors

The Royal Commonwealth Society is a network of individuals and organisations committed to improving the lives and prospects of Commonwealth citizens across the world.

Founded in 1868, it is non-partisan, is independent of governments, and is supported by public generosity.

The Society engages with youth, civil society, business, and governmental networks to address issues that matter to the citizens of the Commonwealth.

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