



United States Mission to the OSCE

Statement on the Bombing in Turkey

As delivered by Political Counselor Christopher Robinson
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Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

The United States condemns the attacks that took place in Ankara on September 20. This was a tragic and senseless act of violence, and we express our deepest condolences to the families and friends of the victims.

The United States condemns all forms of violence against the innocent, wherever it occurs. We will continue to work with the international community to combat violence that threatens peace-loving people everywhere.

The United States will continue to consult closely with our Turkish partners as the investigation unfolds and the Turkish government seeks to bring the perpetrators of this violence to justice. We continue to stand with Turkey in its fight against terror.

And in that regard we look forward to co-chairing with Turkey the Coordinating Committee of the Global Counter Terrorism Forum, and I understand that our Turkish colleague will have more to say in this regard

Thank you, Mr. Chairman.