



STORTINGET

Dear Speaker, *John Bercow*

On behalf of the Norwegian Parliament, I wish to extend my profound condolences to you, the Parliament and the British people.

Our thoughts and deepest sympathies go out to the injured and to the families and loved ones of the victims of the heinous act of terror carried out in Manchester Arena on Monday night.

These acts of violence are tragic at any time, but they seem even more reprehensible when they target young people and children. Yesterday's incident was yet another cowardly attack on democracy and our shared belief in a free and open society.

I wish the families of those affected solace as they deal with this tragedy, and assure the Parliament of our utmost solidarity in this time of mourning.

Oslo, 23 May 2017

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Olav Thon".

President of the Storting

The Rt Hon John Bercow
Speaker of the House of Commons
United Kingdom

