



Office of the
General President
Jack O Connor

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His Excellency, Jean-Pierre Thebault
Ambassador of France
Embassy of France
66 Fitzwilliam Lane
Dublin 2.

Dear Mr. Ambassador

It is with sincere and heartfelt condolences that on behalf of our union I send my sympathy to the Government of France, the families and communities of those killed and injured by the tragic events in Paris last night.

We stand in solidarity with the people of France during this sorrowful time. The founding principles of the French Republic-Liberty, Equality and Fraternity-have always served as an inspiration to us. We cannot allow the actions of a few to now undermine these universal values which underpin democracy and freedom. The murder of innocent people advances no civilised cause and will be rightly condemned by all who value humanity, no matter their creed, colour or ethnicity.

In the face of this outrage perpetrated against the people of France, we must work together to increase the vigour in which we search for just solutions to our shared social and global problems. We must remain committed to the true path to defeating terror, that is building societies which are based on mutual respect and understanding.

To the families of the victims and their loved ones, and all who suffered in this outrage, please accept our sympathies at this very difficult time.

Yours Sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, which reads 'Jack O Connor'. The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Jack O Connor

General President