Middle East Quartet statement on terrorist attack against Israeli tourists in Bulgaria

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The Quartet condemns in the strongest terms the brutal attack on Israeli tourists in Bulgaria on July 18, 2012.

The Members of the Quartet offer their deepest condolences and sympathies to the families and friends of the Israelis and others killed or injured in this act of blatant terrorism, as well as to the people of Bulgaria.

This is an act of cowardice against innocent people, including children. The Members of the Quartet look forward to the apprehension of the perpetrators and their being brought to justice.

The Quartet supports all international efforts to assist the Bulgarian authorities and others in this effort.

This attack provides a reminder of the need for the members of the international community to stand side-by-side in the effort to prevent terrorism wherever it may be practiced.

The Quartet will continue its efforts to reach a comprehensive, just and lasting settlement in the Middle East, where all the people will live in peace and security.