

Je suis Charlie,

The Charlie Hebdo newspaper was the target of a terrorist attack yesterday in Paris. Twelve people were killed – journalists, police officers, friends. In the name of all the media groups in France, we would like to send our heartfelt condolences to our fellow professionals, their families, all those who gave their lives to protect them, and everyone at Charlie Hebdo. This attack deals a direct blow to the freedom of the press and, above all, the spirit of freedom. The satirical press shakes up our opinions and stirs and awakens our minds, using humour to steer us clear of sectarianism and fundamentalism. The people who died yesterday brought laughter into our lives to make us free. More than ever, our day-to-day work is informed by the freedom of thought and expression. On this day of mourning, we would like to affirm that we will not give in to threats or terror. We will not let silence set in and we will fight against all forms of stigmatisation. The French media are ready to roll out the human and material resources that Charlie Hebdo needs to continue its work. We all need to rally around the freedom of the press and continue to defend that freedom in their name.

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