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His Majesty King Harald V Det Kongelige Slott Drammensveien 1 0010 Oslo Norway

Your Majesty,

I am writing to convey to you on my own behalf and that of the people of Ireland our horror and deep sense of shock and sadness at the news of the bomb explosion in the centre of Oslo and at the shocking events on the island of Utøya on Friday.

Our first thoughts in this dreadful situation are for the victims and for their families. I send my sincere condolences for the awful losses that Norway has suffered and to the injured, I send my best wishes for a speedy recovery.

May I, through you, convey to the people of Norway the deep sympathy of the Irish people and to assure you of our solidarity with Norway, a fellow European country with which we share so much, in the face of these terrible events.

Yours sincerely,

Mary McAleese

President of Ireland

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