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### **An Open Letter to Commonwealth Heads of Government**

#### ***The Caliph Urges Commonwealth Heads of State to Use London Meeting to Reinvigorate Efforts for Peace***

The World Head of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Jama'at, the Caliph, His Holiness, Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad, has written an open letter to Commonwealth Heads of Government urging them to use their collective efforts to eliminate conflict and end the suffering of tens of millions of people across the world.

The letter notes that 2018 marks one hundred years from the end of the First World War and yet it is a time of growing global tensions and an increasing concern of an escalation in military conflict. His Holiness writes:

*"The rise in nationalism and the growing entrenchment of ideologies of opposing blocs is feeding a climate of mistrust, suspicion and hate. Economic and political superiority is becoming the driving force that is resulting in the usurping of human rights in favour of national interest."*

His Holiness advocates the Commonwealth Heads of Government that:

*"As you gather in London for the Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting, it is imperative that you use your goodwill, friendships and your mutual bond as human beings to renew and reinvigorate all measures that can generate peace. It is your moral duty to act with a greater sense of urgency to end the suffering of people across the world, to focus minds on education that leads to progress rather than turn a blind eye to the hopelessness and poverty that feeds resentment and revenge."*

His Holiness calls on the leaders not to forget their common bond as human beings, saying:

*"We are all God's creatures and this implores us to act with greater love, compassion and absolute justice with each other to build bridges, to forge partnerships and to strive for the good of all – especially the weak and the vulnerable in society."*





**Referring** to Canada's role in the Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting, the National President of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Jama'at Canada, Mr. Lal Khan Malik, stated: *"The Ahmadiyya Muslim Jama'at urges the Prime Minister and the Canadian Delegation to benefit from the Message of the Caliph. Canadian Ahmadi Muslims are praying for the success of the conference. May God make it a source of world peace."*

The full text of the Caliph's letter can be found [here](#).

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#### **About the Ahmadiyya Muslim Jama'at**

The Ahmadiyya Muslim Jama'at is a dynamic, fast-growing international Muslim community. Founded in 1889, the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community spans over 200 countries with membership exceeding tens of millions. The Ahmadiyya Muslim Jama'at is the only Islamic organization to believe that the long-awaited messiah has come in the person of Mirza Ghulam Ahmad (1835-1908) of Qadian, India. The Community believes that God sent Ahmad, like Jesus, to end religious wars, condemn bloodshed and reinstitute morality, justice and peace.