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Speaking at the Commemorative Event on 3rd May 2019 organized by the President of the General Assembly and the Permanent Mission of Sri Lanka for the victims of the Easter Sunday attacks in Sri Lanka, Ambassador Doma Tshering, Permanent Representative of Bhutan to the United Nations reaffirmed the full solidarity of the Royal Government and people of Bhutan with the Government and people of Sri Lanka, and extended heartfelt condolences and prayers to all governments whose nationals lost their lives and fell victim to the brutal acts.

She said that the "spate of abhorrent violence was not just an attack against a single country, a single religion, or a single community, but an attack against us all, and an affront to the sanctity of human life." In that regard, she reaffirmed Bhutan's condemnation of terrorism in all its forms and manifestations, no matter where it is perpetrated, and that perpetrators of such acts must be brought to justice. She said that Bhutan stands firm with other members of the international community in our resolve to support collective efforts against terrorism, violent extremism, and hatred.

Full text of Statement attached.

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