



## NOTIFICATION TO THE PARTIES

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CONCERNING:

### 18th meeting of the Conference of the Parties: Statement from the Secretariat

1. The Secretariat expresses its heartfelt condolences to the people of Sri Lanka for the loss of lives and many injuries following the bomb blasts that struck churches and hotels today.
2. The Secretariat is in contact with the Sri Lankan Government and is monitoring the situation closely.
3. In the coming days, the security implications for CoP18 will be evaluated. Further information will be provided as soon as possible and in the meantime the Secretariat thanks Parties and observers for their patience and understanding. The Secretariat is committed to ensuring the safety and well-being of the conference and all participants.