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**CDP reageer op aanval op Christene**

Die Christen-Demokratiese Party het sy bekommernis uitgespreek oor die skynbaar toenemende aanvalle op Christene in Moslemlande.

“Ons harte gaan uit na die naasbestaandes van die 21 mense wat in ‘n aanval op ‘n Koptiese Kerk in Egipte dood is,” sê Richard Botha, federale medeleier van die CDP.

“Afgesien van die aanvalle soos in Egipte en Irak, is daar ook toenemende gevalle waar Christene uit lande soos Marokko gesit word omdat hulle na bewering aktief sendingwerk doen. Terreur bied nooit ‘n oplossing nie en stook die klimaat vir nog meer bloedvergieting,” het Botha gesê.

**CDP reacts to attack on Christians**

The Christian Democratic Party (CDP) expressed concern on the apparent increasing number of attacks on Christians in Muslim countries.

“We express our condolences to the next of kin of those 21 people killed in an attack on a Coptic church in Egypt,” says Richard Botha, federal co-leader of the CDP.

“Apart from attacks in countries such as Egypt and Iraq, there are also more cases of actions against Christians such as expulsion from Morocco for allegedly engaging in missionary work. Terror never offers a solution and simply fuels the conditions favourable to an escalation of further violence,” says Botha.