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"Break the vicious circle now" says Terry Davis, Secretary General of the Council of Europe

Strasbourg, 17.08.2009 - "I condemn in the strongest possible terms today's terrorist killing in Russia. This crime violates the most basic natural and universal laws.

My sympathy goes to the victims and their families.

As for the people who are responsible for this atrocity, the murderers and those who aid and abet them will remain outcasts forever as far as the rest of humanity is concerned.

The vicious circle of violence breeding more violence and hatred begetting new hatred must be broken – the sooner, the better. That is the lesson to be learned from the recent tragic history of this part of Europe. Break the vicious circle now."