



# The United Church of Canada General Council

## **GCE Statement on Recent Acts of Anti-Semitism in Canada (2002-04- 26-0371)**

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That the Executive of the General Council make the following Statement on Anti-Semitism:

In the face of the recent upsurge of attacks against Jewish people and property in Canada and around the world, The United Church of Canada reiterates its absolute condemnation of all acts of antisemitism.

Antisemitism is an attack on the dignity and worth of people. Such acts and attitudes attempt to obliterate the truth that all people are made in the image of God.

The United Church of Canada is concerned that these recent acts are often being interpreted as a response to Israel's role in the Middle East. The Church however strongly repudiates any suggestion that disagreement with the policies of the State of Israel should lead to attacks on the Jewish people. The United Church of Canada reiterates its passionate prayer for peace, security and justice for all peoples of the

region as it recommits itself to denounce antisemitism whenever and wherever it occurs.

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