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The Moro Islamic Liberation Front (MILF) joins all peace-loving people in strongly condemning the bombings in General Santos City and Midsayap, North Cotabato that happened on September 16, 2018. While we are thankful that there is no reported casualty, the physical injuries inflicted on eight people in General Santos City and the climate of fear spawned by such senseless acts are reasons enough for all of us to be united in condemning such terroristic acts and denouncing in the strongest term those behind these cowardly deeds.

As before, our position relative to these immoral activities is anchored on the verses of the Quran and Sunnah of the Prophet Muhammad (SAW) that place highest value on human life and categorically prohibits terroristic activities especially when directed against innocent people.

Hence, we call on the population of key areas, as well as the general public, to be vigilant and to exercise caution without disrupting the normal flow of our lives which these terrorists precisely want to disturb.

On our part in the MILF, we command our forces on the ground to take measures to investigate, determine the conspirators and perpetrators of these bombings and to take active measures to prevent the occurrence of future similar incidents in their respective areas of command.

We also call on the joint mechanisms of the GPH-MILF Peace Process to take joint actions to investigate, determine the identities of the perpetrators and bring them to justice. Equally important is for the joint mechanisms to work together with the end in view of bringing an end to these barbaric incidents.

We express our sympathies to the families and friends of the victims of the bombings in Midsayap and General Santos City as well as to the previous Isulan blasts on August 28, 2018, and share your prayers and hopes that justice would be given to you.

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