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Tamara Džamonja Ignjatović, PhD President Serbian Psychological Society

Dear Dr. Ignjatović,

On behalf of the American Psychological Association (APA), we are writing to express our solidarity with you, your members, and your community in the wake of the recent shootings in Serbia. Sadly, APA is familiar with the psychological impacts of gun violence due to their frequency in the United States; as such, we send our most sincere condolences and desire to be supportive as Serbia grapples with the shock of these tragic events.

We know there is a strong psychology community in Serbia and we stand beside you in your efforts to assess and address the nation's psychological needs during this time. We hope that you will not hesitate to call upon APA to let us know of ways in which we can offer support to you. As a first step, we would like to share these resources:

- Trauma: <a href="https://www.apa.org/topics/trauma">https://www.apa.org/topics/trauma</a>
- Gun violence: <a href="https://www.apa.org/topics/gun-violence-crime">https://www.apa.org/topics/gun-violence-crime</a>
- Human-caused disasters: <a href="https://www.apa.org/topics/disasters-response">https://www.apa.org/topics/disasters-response</a>
- Posttraumatic stress disorder: https://www.apa.org/topics/ptsd
- Building resilience: https://www.apa.org/topics/resilience

Your psychologist friends and colleagues at APA stand with you during this incredibly difficult time.

Sincerely,

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