



Statement by President Catherine Amirfar  
Regarding Violence and Intimidation Against the Asian American and Pacific  
Islander Community

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As an organization dedicated to advancing justice and the rule of law, the American Society of International Law condemns the acts of violence and intimidation that have been directed against Chinese Americans and other members of the Asian American and Pacific Islander community.

We mourn with the families of those killed in the senseless acts of violence that took place in the Atlanta area on March 16, and we stand in solidarity with our members, friends, and colleagues of Asian descent and with those of every community who have been subjected to hatred, xenophobia, and racist assaults. Such actions are an attack on every American and the values we cherish.

We call on elected leaders, law enforcement officials, and civic organizations to take concerted action against the rising intolerance in our country and to ensure that those who threaten or engage in hate-motivated violence are held accountable under the law.