

## PRIME MINISTER

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The Government and I have today expressed our deepest sympathy to the family of the two children who were tragically killed yesterday in the bombing at Frankfurt Airport. Our heartfelt wishes for the recovery of their mother, grandmother and family friend who were seriously injured in the blast have also been conveyed.

The message of sympathy and condolence has been sent to the children's father, Mr Guerreiro, who is flying to Frankfurt today.

I am appalled at the senseless slaughter and suffering of innocent people in the outrage at Frankfurt Airport. The bombing brings home the cruel fact that nobody, including innocent children, is immune from the threat of terrorism.

The tragic deaths of the children and the suffering of the Guerreiro family, coming so soon after the ordeal of another Australian family, the Hendersons, in the TWA hi-jack, have once again dramatically illustrated the need for a strengthened international effort to combat international terrorism.

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