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PRESS RELEASE

The American Hungarian Federation condemns hatred and violence.

Washington, D.C. -- The American Hungarian Federation (AHF) unequivocally and forcefully condemns any and all manifestations of hatred, xenophobia, discrimination and domestic terrorism. The Hungarian community understands first-hand the impact of these evil manifestations.

Following its founding one hundred and ten years ago, AHF has promoted human and minority rights, especially after the post-World War I Trianon Treaty relegated 3.3 million Hungarians to minority status in the Successor States neighboring Hungary without giving them a voice in the matter in violation of the vaunted principle of self-determination.

These Hungarian and historic minority communities have been subjected to various degrees of discrimination and intolerance. Even today their legitimate requests for autonomy (or local self-government) are inexplicably denied. In worst cases the minorities have been victimized by violence, as when between 15,000 and 20,000 ethnic Hungarians were massacred in the post-WWII period in Vojvodina, Serbia solely because of their ethnicity.

Hatred, intolerance and violence are also abhorrent to and condemned by AHF as there are members of the organization who fled from Nazism and Communism or whose family members were murdered by these horrifically evil systems.

AHF has been fighting against these horrors for over a century. We will continue to fight. History must not be allowed to repeat itself.

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