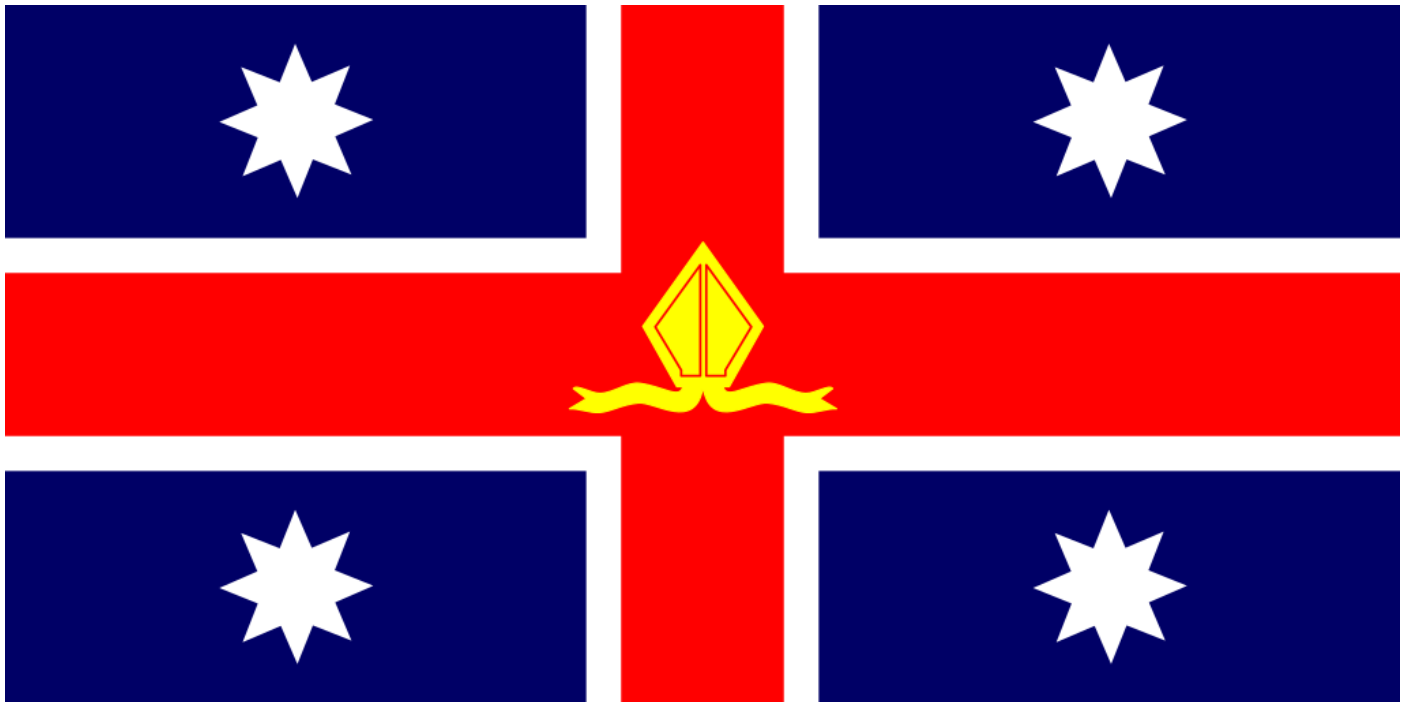




Anglican bishops issue statement on antisemitism

A majority of the Anglican bishops signed the following statement this week in the wake of an increase in antisemitic incidents across Australia.

In recent times, we have seen with growing concern an increase in antisemitism in Australia through hateful words and disrespectful, threatening, and violent actions directed against Jewish communities.

Such behaviour is abhorrent and completely unacceptable.

We Anglican bishops condemn these words and actions and stand with Jewish Australians against hostility and violence. No individual or group in Australia should be subjected to intimidation, hatred or violence.

Australia is a proudly multicultural and multifaith community. Antisemitism, even when the expression of a small minority, injures us all and must be rejected by all.

We call on all Australians to stand against the vilification which we have seen recently and work to enhance the peace, justice and harmony that Jewish Australians, like all Australians, are entitled to expect.

The Most Reverend Geoffrey Smith â?? Archbishop of Adelaide & Primate of the Anglican Church of Australia

The Most Reverend Philip Freier â?? Archbishop of Melbourne

The Most Reverend Kay Goldsworthy, AO â?? Archbishop of Perth

The Most Reverend Jeremy Greaves, KCSJ â?? Archbishop of Brisbane

The Most Reverend Kanishka Raffel ??? Archbishop of Sydney

The Right Reverend Dr Gregory Anderson ??? Bishop of Northern Territory

The Right Reverend Clarence Bester ??? Bishop of Wangaratta

The Right Reverend Dr Richard Condie ??? Bishop of Tasmania

The Right Reverend Peter Grice ??? Bishop of Rockhampton

The Right Reverend Dr Murray Harvey ??? Bishop of Grafton

The Right Reverend Jeremy James ??? Bishop of Willochra

The Right Reverend Dr Keith Joseph ??? Bishop of North Queensland

The Right Reverend Chris McLeod ??? National Aboriginal Bishop

The Right Reverend Darrell Parker ??? Bishop of North West Australia

The Right Reverend Dr Mark Short ??? Bishop of Canberra & Goulburn

The Right Reverend Dr Peter Stuart ??? Bishop of Newcastle

The Right Reverend Dr Richard Treloar ??? Bishop of Gippsland

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