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Your Grace Bishop Youssef,

We were deeply saddened upon hearing the tragic news of the bombing of the St. George’s Church in Tanta and of St. Mark’s Cathedral in Alexandria during Palm Sunday Service. It is unimaginable that there are groups who would attack the Church during this solemn time of Holy Week. On behalf of the Diocese of South-West America we express our condolences to the grieving families who lost loved ones—our solidarity is with you. We will continue to pray for the faithful of the Coptic Church, especially H.H. Pope Tawadros II, those who lost their lives during these attacks, those who were injured, and the all faithful in Egypt.

Your fellow servant in the Lord,

Eusebius Alexios