

Annie Butler  
Federal Secretary  
Australian Nursing and Midwifery  
Federation

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Dear Ms. Butler, and all our colleagues at the Australian Nursing and Midwifery Federation,


It is with profound sorrow that we extend our deepest condolences to you and the entire Australian nursing community following the tragic mass shooting at Bondi Beach.

Across hospitals, ambulances, and triage centres, nursing staff have been at the forefront delivering urgent care to those severely wounded, supporting families devastated by sudden loss, and offering calm reassurance in the midst of chaos. Your unwavering compassion, swift clinical care, and emotional support in such dire times stand as a true testament to the heart of nursing.

In the face of terror and division, your steadfast service embodies the very principles that unite our profession: empathy, courage, and solidarity. The International Council of Nurses stands with you, mourning with the families who have lost loved ones, paying tribute to the resilience of survivors, and honouring every nurse tirelessly working to save lives and comfort the wounded.

We extend to you our heartfelt sympathy, unyielding support, and the collective hope that healing and unity will emerge from this tragedy.

With deepest respect and solidarity,



Dr José Luis Cobos Serrano  
President  
International Council of Nurses



Howard Catton  
Chief Executive Officer  
International Council of Nurses