



Dear Friends,

On Friday 13 November, Paris was struck to the heart by terrorist acts of unprecedented savagery.

In attacking our City with such cowardly and inhuman violence, these criminals were targeting its most precious assets: the freedom of its young people and its openness to the outside world, the very things that make Paris an incomparable capital of tolerance and culture.

The terrorists failed, however. Paris is still standing – the people of Paris are still standing and more determined than ever to uphold our values of fraternity.

On behalf of all Parisians, I would like to express our warmest thanks to you for the many messages of support you have sent us. Despite this ordeal, the decision has been made to push ahead with our collective movement and our goal of taking up the challenges of our times.

Paris has therefore decided to go ahead with COP 21 which will be taking place in a few days' time in Paris.

The action of mayors and local leaders on climate issues is crucial and a historic mobilisation of all of us is required. We must join forces together and make the necessary commitments to protect our planet and prepare for our children's future.

With Michael Bloomberg, UN Special Envoy for Cities and Climate Change, we look forward to seeing you at Paris City Hall on 4 December for our Climate Summit for Local Leaders.

Kindest regards,

Anne Hidalgo
Mayor of Paris