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## STATEMENT BY JEWISH COMMUNITY COUNCIL OF MONTREAL

Members of the Jewish community of Montreal woke up this morning to the frightening news that bullets were once again fired at the entrance doors of Yeshiva Gedola-Merkaz Hatorah school.

Unfortunately, as we all know, this in not an isolated incident. Late last week shots were fired at the Talmud Torah Elementary School and the Yeshiva Gedola-Merkaz Hatorah school, and Congregation Beth Tikvah synagogue and the office of Federation CJA were firebombed.

Our community is on edge, and, as we have said repeatedly, more needs to be done to protect our schools, synagogues and institutions. With this in mind, we are redoubling our efforts to convince authorities that a stronger police presence is required in our neighbourhoods. We are calling on all levels of government to collaborate with a goal of ensuring the safety of Jews across Montreal.

