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Dear Mr Vice President:

I am concerned about political violence. This past week bombs were sent to a dozen politicians and eleven people were murdered at the Tree of Life Synagogue. The links to vicious rhetoric by the President are evident and in line with this year's fifty percent increase in harassment of Jews (ADL) and doubling of threats against members of Congress (House Sergeant at Arms Office) as well as surging violence against gays in Brazil as Mr Bolsonaro parrots this rhetoric. Your pious appeals to both-sidesism and free speech in your interview yesterday with Mr Hillyard do not absolve you of responsibility for the stunning immorality of this incitement to terror. As a person, a Christian, and an elected official you abdicate your responsibilities when you enable this continuing destruction of the moral fabric of our society.

Please assure me that you will stop this incitement to murder.

I am very proud to be a US resident and a large part of that derives from our civil society.

Sincerely,
Eric Babson