

EMPEREUR DES FRANÇAIS
PRÉSIDENT DE LA RÉPUBLIQUE

Monsieur le President,

In these difficult times, I write to you to reaffirm the friendship and respect that exists between our proud peoples, not just as a head of state, but as a friend and colleague. Let it be known to those who would defy the peace that the Kicathian Republic is not alone: I add the deepest sympathies, the condolences, and the unwavering support of France to the many declarations that have been made. The Republic, old, proud, and wise, is a treasure among France's allies. We all wish you a swift recovery, and that you might find justice in your search for the wretches who carried out these cowardly attacks.

However, declarations are not enough. Say the word, and I will put the French intelligence community and any other resources you require at your disposal in your investigation that we may give justice to those who are no longer with us.

Further, this issue has a moral dimension. In the face of such acts, we must find strength in the democratic values which underpin both our nations and the universe which we defend. As states, as people, we might disagree—violently and passionately if we must—but never again must we resort to *physical* violence as a tool of policy for resolving disputes among ourselves. As you have repeated time and again, the Gigaquadrant cannot afford such infighting. This is a vision which you and I have labored tirelessly to achieve through our cooperation in the Pan-Andromedan Ecume and our bilateral efforts.

Let these events serve not to discourage us from our task, but to heighten our resolve and our determination in achieving a free, fair, and equitable Gigaquadrant.

Sincerely yours,

Alexandre