Hundreds Gather in Buenos Aires to Show Solidarity with France

Buenos Aires, January 12 (RHC-NNN) -- Several hundred people gathered outside France's embassy in Argentina Sunday in solidarity with the millions of people who rallied together in Paris over the terrorist attacks that left 17 people dead earlier in the week.

"The world is united against these madmen, who are a minority, demons who represent nobody," French ambassador Jean-Michel Casa said.

In Paris, an estimated 1.5 million people, including dozens of world leaders, marched through the city's streets in a defiant show of unity. French flags were raised in the crowd outside the French embassy in Argentina, and flowers were left along its wrought iron fence.

Among those present were leaders of Argentina's large Jewish community and opposition politicians. Anti-Semitism has been on the rise not just in France, but throughout Europe and in other parts of the world. In November, vandals drew a swastika on the wall outside the home of a local rabbi in the city of Cordoba in Argentina.

Argentina was the site of the July 1994 bombing of the Argentine Jewish Charities Federation (AMIA) building in Buenos Aires, which killed 85 people. Hundreds were hurt in a bombing Argentina says was masterminded by Iran. Tehran's clerical regime has denied the charges.

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