

His Holiness
Pope Tawadros II
Pope of Alexandria and Patriarch of the See of St. Mark

Uppsala, April 9, 2017

**CAIRO** 

Dear Brother in Christ,

On this Palm Sunday, when the people of Sweden still mourn the losses of lives in the recent terror attack in Stockholm, we have once again been reached by terrible news from Egypt. Once again I must send you my sincere condolences. My deep sympathies are with you and your people.

Please know and rest assured that the Church of Sweden is with you in prayers and thoughts. With Christ's Church all over the world we pray with the Canaanite woman and the blind man: *Kyrie eleison!* May the healing they received also be given to us, to our brothers and sisters, and to our societies.

Together, we cling to God's promise given through the prophet: "As a mother comforts her child, so I will comfort you" (Is. 66:13).

Let nothing prevent us from our steadfastness on the path of peace and love.

Yours in Christ,

Antje Jackelén

Archbishop of Uppsala

