

## **President Obama's remarks regarding shooting of police in Dallas**

Warsaw, Poland — While meeting with European leaders in Warsaw, President Barack Obama called the assault a “vicious, calculated and despicable attack on law enforcement.”

“I believe I speak for every single American when I say we are horrified over these events, and we stand united with the people and the police department in Dallas,” he said.

“We will learn more, undoubtedly, about their twisted motivations, but let’s be clear: There is no possible justification for these types of attacks,” Obama said. “Anyone involved in the senseless murders will be held fully accountable. Justice will be done.”

As he did earlier Friday, Obama called on Americans to bridge the divide in police-community relations, supporting officers and their families while addressing racial disparities in police-involved shootings and the criminal justice system at large. And he renewed his call for action on gun control: “We also know that when people are armed with powerful weapons, it makes shootings like this more deadly and more tragic,” he said.

But the President said his immediate concern was for the officers and their families. “Today is a wrenching reminder of the sacrifices they make for us,” he said. “They are heartbroken. The entire city of Dallas is grieving. Police across America, which is a tight-knit family, feels this loss to their core. And we’re grieving with them”