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Michael, the governor issued the following statement:

QUOTE FROM GOVERNOR NIKKI HALEY: "There will be an appropriate time for policy discussions in the not too distant future, and I welcome them. Now is the time for healing our whole state, and most particularly the nine grieving families who will have burial services in the days ahead. That - and lifting those families up in prayer - is where our attention needs to be right now in South Carolina, and where mine will remain until all nine victims are laid to rest."

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**From:** Clark, Michael WBTV [<mailto:mclark@wbtv.com>]  
**Sent:** Friday, June 19, 2015 1:15 PM  
**To:** Symmes, Brian  
**Subject:** CBS Charlotte request for comment

Hi Brian,

This is Michael Clark at the CBS affiliate in Charlotte. We spoke earlier this afternoon. Wanted to see if you can push this through to the appropriate person:

\*Any response from Governor Haley on why the Confederate flag still flies above the other flags that are at half-staff at the State House?

\*Are there any discussions about removing or changing the Confederate flag after the Charleston shooting, as investigators look to see if it rises to the level of a hate crime?

Thanks for any help you can provide. If there is any opportunity to get an on camera interview, please advise.

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