

19 AUGUST - DAY OF REMEMBRANCE
4th ANNIVERSARY BOMBING UNHQ IN BAGHDAD
To be observed at UN Headquarters on
Friday, 17 August 2007

Tentative Programme Note

The fourth anniversary of the bombing of the United Nations headquarters in Baghdad will be observed on Friday, 17 August 2007 with a brief ceremony organized by the Staff Council Standing Committee on the Security and Independence of the International Civil Service.

The events of the day symbolize that we are united in remembrance of our colleagues and friends killed and injured in the horrific attack on the United Nations headquarters in Baghdad four years ago on 19 August 2003. The observance will highlight the issue and importance of staff safety and security and will also draw attention to recent incidents, which resulted in tragic deaths of UN personnel.

- WHEN:** Friday, 17 August 2007 at 10:15 a.m. (Ceremony 15 minutes)
- WHERE:** General Assembly Building public lobby
Front of memorial plaque located outside meditation room
- WHAT:** Master of Ceremonies (MC) will then make brief opening remarks and read the names of those who were killed. The Secretary-General will be invited to make a brief statement and then a wreath will be laid in front of plaque followed by a moment of silence.

Programme

10:15 a.m. Participants gather

10:20 a.m. MC - Brief opening remarks, reading of names and introduces SG

10:25 a.m. Brief statement by the Secretary-General

10:29 a.m. MC - Announces wreath-laying followed by Minute of Silence

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10:29:45 a.m. Wreath-laying by colleagues who were in Baghdad at the time
[or by invited family members of the victims (**TBC**)]

10:30 a.m. Minute of Silence

10:31 a.m. MC - Closing and thanks.

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