



“Not Forgotten: Stories of Remembrance of Victims of Terrorism”,

An online high-level event to commemorate the International Day of Remembrance of and Tribute to the Victims of Terrorism (21 August 2020)

New York, 17 August - The third commemoration of the International Day of Remembrance of and Tribute to the Victims of Terrorism occurs during trying times for the international community, with the ongoing consequences of the COVID-19 pandemic felt around the world.

With the international community being focused on the response to the pandemic and cancellation of many memorials and commemorations, it is critical to take the time to remember and honour the victims of terrorism.

On 21 August 2020 from 10 a.m. to 11:40 am NY Time an **online high-level event entitled “Not Forgotten: Stories of Remembrance of Victims of Terrorism”**, will be held with the participation of the United Nations Secretary-General Mr. António Guterres.

A short film on remembrance will be launched, with testimonies of victims and survivors of terrorism demonstrating their individual journey and experience, especially since the onset of the pandemic. This will be followed by an interactive discussion with a panel of victims, victims’ associations, and experts.

The event provides an opportunity for victims to share their stories and to urge the international community to strengthen their rights and address their needs, even during global health emergencies. It seeks to build on and consolidate these efforts, and translate them into practical and sustainable actions at the national level, shaping the way forward on local and cross-border commemoration efforts, and on developing comprehensive national assistance plans that address the need of victims of terrorism for communal support, remembrance, and even redress.

The General Assembly, in its resolution [72/165](#) (2017), established 21 August as the International Day of Remembrance of and Tribute to the Victims of Terrorism in order to honour and support the victims and survivors of terrorism and to promote and protect the full enjoyment of their human rights and fundamental freedoms.

This event is organized in collaboration with the [Group of Friends of Victims of Terrorism](#).

The ceremony will be broadcasted live on [UN Web TV](#)

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