



THE PRESIDENT
OF THE
GENERAL ASSEMBLY

24 August 2020

Excellency,

Further to my letter dated 4 August 2020, concerning the International Day against Nuclear Tests, scheduled for 26 August 2020, from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., via the Cisco WebEx virtual platform, it is my pleasure to enclose herewith the programme for the event.

In line with the decision of the General Assembly on the format for commemorative meetings, Member States are encouraged to deliver regional statements during this meeting. Statements will be limited to 5 minutes for groups of States and 3 minutes for individual Member States. Inscriptions to speak will be made at the meeting using the chat function.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, consisting of a stylized, cursive script.

Tijjani Muhammad-Bande

All Permanent Representatives and
Permanent Observers to the United Nations
New York.

HIGH-LEVEL PLENARY MEETING OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO COMMEMORATE AND PROMOTE THE INTERNATIONAL DAY AGAINST NUCLEAR TESTS WEDNESDAY 26 AUGUST 2020

PROGRAMME

Opening

- 10:00 a.m. -10:06 a.m. Statement by the President of the General Assembly
- 10:06 a.m. -10:12 a.m. Statement by the High Representative for Disarmament Affairs on behalf of the Secretary-General of the United Nations

Keynote Addresses

- 10:12 a.m. -10:17 a.m. Statement by H.E. Ms.Tarja Halonen, Former President, Republic of Finland
- 10:17 a.m. -10:22 a.m. Statement by Dr. Lassina Zerbo, Executive Secretary of the Preparatory Commission, Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty Organization (CTBTO)
- 10:22 a.m. -10:27 a.m. Statement by H.E. Mr. Nursultan Nazarbayev, First President, Republic of Kazakhstan (Presented by the Foreign Minister of Kazakhstan, H.E. Mr. Mukhtar Tleuberdi)
- 10:27 a.m. -10:32 a.m. Statement by Ms. Karina Lester, anti-nuclear advocate, and daughter of the late Yami Lester, who was blinded by nuclear testing in the 1950s
- 10:32 a.m. -10:37 a.m. Statement by Ms. Selina Neirok Leem, Spokesperson for “Reverse the Trend”, a global youth advocacy network against nuclear weapons and climate change

Plenary

- 10:37 a.m. -1:00 p.m. Statements by Regional Groups
Statements by Member States
Statements by Observer States
- 1:00 p.m. Meeting closes