

Press release

The United Nations Office of Counter-Terrorism launches the Victims of Terrorism Memories Campaign

Malaga, 10 May 2022 – On the occasion of the United Nations High-Level International [Conference](#) on Human Rights, Civil Society and Counter-Terrorism taking place in Malaga, Spain, on 10 and 11 May 2022, the United Nations Counter-Terrorism Centre ([UNCCT](#)) of the United Nations Office of Counter-Terrorism ([UNOCT](#)) will launch the Victims of Terrorism “Memories” campaign.

Through a film and a photo exhibition, the “Memories” campaign showcases how physical objects can help victims cope with traumatic incidents caused by terrorist attacks. The campaign features eight victims of terrorism from across the globe who share their memories, emotions and the meaning that they attach to their personal object, allowing the audiences to relate to them, feel their loss and better understand the importance of remembering and paying tribute to victims of terrorism as well as upholding their rights.

The film will be released on 11 May during the third session of the High-Level Conference in Malaga dedicated to “Upholding the rights and needs and paying tribute to victims and survivors of terrorism”. The photographic exhibition is on display at the Palacio de Ferias y Congresos de Malaga and accessible [online](#) on the United Nations Victims Support [Portal](#).

The Memories Campaign is launched as part of a series of events organized by the Global Victims of Terrorism Support Programme throughout 2022 to strengthen the commitment of the international community towards victims’ rights and needs. Other initiatives include the commemoration of the International Day of Remembrance of and Tribute to the Victims of Terrorism in August as well as the Global Congress of Victims of Terrorism, scheduled to be held at the United Nations Headquarters in New York in 2022.

The UNOCT-UNCCT Global Victims of Terrorism Support Programme stands in solidarity with victims and coordinates policies, good practices, and efforts of Member States, UN entities, and civil society on victims of terrorism issues. The Programme provides technical assistance and capacity building support to Member States, civil society, parliamentarians and UN entities. It also aims to enhance the capacity of victims to develop and communicate their stories through multimedia training and advocacy campaigns.

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