

Excellencies,
Ladies and Gentlemen,
dear friends,

Today we commemorate the sixth International Day of Remembrance and Tribute

Finally, I am very proud that, in June we dedicated a beautiful

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Two days ago, marked the 20th anniversary of the Canal Hotel bombing in Baghdad, Iraq, on 19 August 2003. On that tragic day which we now remember as the World Humanitarian Day we lost 22 people. Many of them staff members of the United Nations working to build peace, security, and prosperity for humankind, including Sergio Vieira de Mello, the Special Representative to Iraq.

Terrorism has no respect for nationality, faith, gender, or location. We must all, in our shared bond as human beings, stand up against it, and work together with the victims to build a better future.