United Nations A/HRC/43/NGO/85



Distr.: General 18 February 2020

English only

## **Human Rights Council**

Forty-third session
24 February–20 March 2020
Agenda item 3
Promotion and protection of all human rights, civil, political, economic, social and cultural rights, including the right to development

## Written statement\* submitted by Association for Defending Victims of Terrorism, a non-governmental organization in special consultative status

The Secretary-General has received the following written statement which is circulated in accordance with Economic and Social Council resolution 1996/31.

[02 February 2020]

<sup>\*</sup> Issued as received, in the language(s) of submission only.







## Introducing the victims of terrorism as examples of patience as an effective response for isolation of terrorism

Congratulating proclaiming 21 August the International Day of Remembrance of, and Tribute to the Victims of Terrorism to all the victims of terrorism, human rights activists and human dignity all over the world, Association for Defending Victims of Terrorism declares:

Terrorism is a global threat and an organized extremism. This heinous phenomenon has brutally killed, wounded and displaced millions of people in such a way that world security and human lives have been subject to aggressions and constant violence.

Terrorism has devastating effects on society. This phenomenon, with fear and terror, deprives the community of its basic rights, namely security and peace, and severely endangers human rights, threatens democracy and challenges the fundamental human needs. Hence, we face with a great threat; the threat which uses modern means in the worst way and causes the third millennium to be along with anxiety and constant concern.

Our world still has victims. The number of victims of terrorist attacks is increasing. Today, millions of people have been seriously affected by terrorist attacks in Asia, Europe, Africa and the America. Terrorism is so prevalent and has ruined human civilization that history cannot record such human crimes against humanity.

The United Nations (UN) General Assembly proclaimed August 21 as the International Day of Remembrance of and Tribute to the Victims of Terrorism. Welcoming the resolution, Association for Defending Victims of Terrorism (ADVT), as the representative of the victims of terrorism of the Islamic Republic of Iran, believes that this is a global solidarity with the survivors throughout the world and the only way to overcome terrorism is commemorating victims. ADVT emphasize their essential slogan:

"Let's Restrain Terrorism by Commemorating Victims of Terrorism"

It is a great pleasure for ADVT that after following-up the for some years, the International Day was proclaimed by UN General Assembly and considers the commemoration of the victims of terrorism as the reaction to the condemnation and hatred of the crimes of terrorism against the human community and an indictment to prosecute the perpetrators of crimes in the world public opinion. ADVT calls on UN, personalities, human rights activists, the educated, academics, and the elites of the world make effort to pave the way for introducing the victims as the paragons of patience, so that we can take an effective measure for isolating violence and extremism in the world.

If one member is afflicted by pain, other members uneasy will remain

2