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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.

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## **Empowering Women Victims of Terrorism is a Necessity for the Future of Humanity**

Women are the most important pillar of human society, which has the highest role in regulating society in the mother role, and the strength of this order specially depends on this exceptional human being of the creation.

Violence and extremism in recent decades have caused long-term and irreparable damages to this central pillar in the solidarity of societies, and the world's long-term neglect of their effects on women has led to the transmission of those injuries to future generations and has left a cycle of suffering on human society.

For years, millions of dollars, pounds, and euros have been spent on counterterrorism plans around the world, often leading to the reproduction and continuation of violence and they have the least advantage in preventing catastrophes. Cities damaged by bombs and missiles in Afghanistan, Iraq, the Syrian Arab Republic, Yemen and the State of Palestine are clear examples of the achievements of such plans for the people of these regions and human society.

8th March, International Women's Day, is the reminder of the brutality and oppression of the American police in 1875 against women workers in New York City textile factories. It is an opportunity to remember the atrocities against women from that time which continues to the present time; from New York to Tehran, Baghdad, Kabul, Karachi, Beirut, Gaza, Damascus and other cities, which originated from Western intervention, especially the United States of America, and continues with greater intensity.

Countering violence and extremism is a family-based strategy whose symbols are women, especially traumatized women, who are opportunities for the plans to combat wickedness and insecurity, and the global programs should be developed to strengthen their role.

The Association for Defending Victims of Terrorism believes that women must play a more effective role in policy-making on terrorism and armed conflict around the world, and their voices must be heard and reinforced by the international and public organizations. Such a measure is a significant step towards empowerment of women and make the global plans more effective.

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