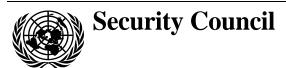
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Statement by the President of the Security Council

At the 4966th meeting of the Security Council, held on 10 May 2004, in connection with the Council's consideration of the item entitled "Threats to international peace and security caused by terrorist acts", the President of the Security Council made the following statement on behalf of the Council:

"The Security Council unequivocally condemns the terrorist bomb attack that took place on 9 May 2004 in Grozny, the Russian Federation, as a result of which many people were injured and killed, including the President of the Chechen Republic of the Russian Federation, Ahmad Kadyrov.

"The Security Council condemns also in the strongest terms the perpetrators of this heinous act committed against innocent people at the stadium when celebrating the Victory Day — the most solemn national holiday in the Russian Federation.

"The Security Council expresses its deepest sympathy and condolences to the people and to the Government of the Russian Federation and to the victims and their families.

"The Security Council urges all States, in accordance with their obligation under resolution 1373 (2001), to cooperate with the Russian authorities in their efforts to bring to justice the perpetrators, organizers and sponsors of this attack.

"The Security Council reaffirms that terrorism in all its forms and manifestations constitutes one of the most serious threats to international peace and security and that any acts of terrorism are criminal and unjustifiable, regardless of their motivation, whenever and by whomsoever committed.

"The Security Council expresses its determination to combat all forms of terrorism, in accordance with its responsibilities under the Charter of the United Nations."