

Terrorist Attacks in the USA on September 11th

Condemns in the strongest possible terms the wicked terrorist attacks of September 11th, 2001, and recognises the attacks being targeted against the whole of mankind and humanity. It ex-presses its deep sorrow about the fate of the victims and their families. It stands in respect and admiration for the great accomplishments of the police, the fire fighters and the numerous voluntary helpers in the catastrophe, and for the stamina of the American society.

- Decidedly supports the American efforts to form an anti-terrorist coalition around the world and welcomes the fact, that many countries already have expressed their willingness to participate in this initiative, among them Arab and Islamic states, in order to find new answers to this new kind of threat and conflict.
- Welcomes the resolution 56/1 of General Assembly and resolution 1368 of the Security Council of the United Nations of September 12th, defining terrorist attacks such as in New York and Washington, D.C., as a threat to international peace and security.
- Calls on all countries to ratify and immediately apply the existing UN Conventions on terrorism.
- Supports the call of the Security Council for international co-operation with the aim of handing those who committed, organised and supported these terrorist attacks over to the courts and to make those accountable, who are responsible for help, support or housing the culprits, the organisers and the supporters.
- Supports the commitment of the member states of the North Atlantic Alliance and the European Union to follow up their declaration of solidarity with concrete measures of assistance of a political, economic and – where appropriate - military kind.
- Calls for closer co-ordination in the framework of the European Union to counter the threats of international criminality and organised terrorism while maintaining vigilance for civil liberties. It therefore welcomes the decisions of the Council of Ministers of Justice and Home Affairs of September 20 and of the European Council of September 21.
- Expresses its deep concern about fanaticism and fundamentalism in any ideology or religion but opposes any indiscriminate condemnation of cultural or religious groups.

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- Encourages the dialogue between cultures and religions and calls for an alliance as broad as possible across nations, cultures, religions and continents to defend humanity.
- Calls for the elaboration of political and economic concepts aimed at fighting the causes of terrorism and at drying up its breeding ground.

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