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**Promotion and protection of all human rights, civil,  
political, economic, social and cultural rights,  
including the right to development**

### **Joint written statement\* submitted by Rencontre Africaine pour la defense des droits de l'homme (RADDHO), the Al- Hakim Foundation, non-governmental organizations 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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\* This written statement is issued, unedited, in the language(s) received from the submitting non-governmental organization(s).

## **Promotion and protection of human rights and fundamental liberty in the combat against terrorism\*\***

States have the obligation to protect human rights and the right to life of victims of terrorism and their families.

National antiterrorist strategies should create a healthy political environment using dialogue as a combat tool permitting potential victims to live a dignified life in the society.

Our organisations plead for adoption by the Human Rights Council of specific measures which would allow the High Commissioner of Human Rights to investigate good practices in the combat against terrorism in order to elaborate a manual of good practice.

Also that the Human Rights Council create a Voluntary Fund for the rehabilitation of victims of terrorism.

We ask states members to engage in a dialogue to adopt an international Day for 'Solidarity Against Terrorism' in remembrance of victims of terrorism around the world.

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\*\* Interfaith International, an NGO without consultative status, also sharing the views expressed in this statement.