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Promotion and protection of human rights

### Resolution adopted by the General Assembly on 5 September 2025

[without reference to a Main Committee ([A/79/L.123](#))]

#### 79/328. Tenth anniversary of the International Day of Commemoration and Dignity of the Victims of the Crime of Genocide and of the Prevention of This Crime

*The General Assembly,*

*Guided* by the Charter of the United Nations, the Universal Declaration of Human Rights<sup>1</sup> and the Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide<sup>2</sup> and other relevant international instruments,

*Recalling* its resolution [69/323](#) of 11 September 2015, by which it proclaimed 9 December as the International Day of Commemoration and Dignity of the Victims of the Crime of Genocide and of the Prevention of This Crime,

*Reaffirming* its resolutions [96 \(I\)](#) of 11 December 1946, [260 A \(III\)](#) of 9 December 1948 and [53/43](#) of 2 December 1998 and other relevant resolutions that have contributed to the establishment and development of the process of prevention and punishment of the crime of genocide,

*Recalling* Human Rights Council resolutions 7/25 of 28 March 2008,<sup>3</sup> [22/22](#) of 22 March 2013,<sup>4</sup> [28/34](#) of 27 March 2015,<sup>5</sup> [37/26](#) of 23 March 2018,<sup>6</sup> [43/29](#) of

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<sup>1</sup> Resolution [217 A \(III\)](#).

<sup>2</sup> Resolution [260 A \(III\)](#), annex.

<sup>3</sup> See *Official Records of the General Assembly, Sixty-third Session, Supplement No. 53* ([A/63/53](#)), chap. II.

<sup>4</sup> *Ibid.*, *Sixty-eighth Session, Supplement No. 53* ([A/68/53](#)), chap. IV, sect. A.

<sup>5</sup> *Ibid.*, *Seventieth Session, Supplement No. 53* ([A/70/53](#)), chap. III, sect. A.

<sup>6</sup> *Ibid.*, *Seventy-third Session, Supplement No. 53* ([A/73/53](#)), chap. IV, sect. A.



22 June 2020,<sup>7</sup> 49/9 of 31 March 2022<sup>8</sup> and 55/13 of 3 April 2024<sup>9</sup> on the prevention of genocide,

*Recalling also* that, in adopting the Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide on 9 December 1948, it recognized the crime of genocide as an odious scourge which had inflicted great losses on humanity and was convinced that international cooperation was required to facilitate the speedy prevention and punishment of the crime of genocide,

*Expressing concern* that, despite the efforts of the international community, many thousands of innocent human beings continue to be victims of genocide,

*Reiterating* the responsibility of each individual State to protect its populations from genocide, which entails the prevention of such a crime, including incitement to it, through appropriate and necessary means, and that fighting impunity for the crime of genocide is an important factor in its prevention,

1. *Recognizes* the importance of the International Day of Commemoration and Dignity of the Victims of the Crime of Genocide and of the Prevention of This Crime for raising awareness on the Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide and for commemorating and honouring victims of genocide;

2. *Invites* all Member and observer States, all organizations of the United Nations system and other global, regional and subregional organizations, as well as other relevant stakeholders, including civil society, the private sector, academia and individuals, to commemorate the tenth anniversary of the International Day of Commemoration and Dignity of the Victims of the Crime of Genocide and of the Prevention of This Crime;

3. *Requests* the President of the General Assembly to convene, within existing resources, a full-day high-level meeting, which will feature an address by the Special Adviser to the Secretary-General on the Prevention of Genocide, to mark the tenth anniversary of the International Day of Commemoration and Dignity of the Victims of the Crime of Genocide and of the Prevention of This Crime to galvanize accelerated efforts on the prevention and punishment of the crime of genocide.

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5 September 2025*

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<sup>7</sup> Ibid., Seventy-fifth Session, Supplement No. 53 ([A/75/53](#)), chap. IV, sect. A.

<sup>8</sup> Ibid., Seventy-seventh Session, Supplement No. 53 ([A/77/53](#)), chap. VI, sect. A.

<sup>9</sup> Ibid., Seventy-ninth Session, Supplement No. 53 ([A/79/53](#)), chap. IV, sect. A.