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Directorate A: Internal security
The Director

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**Subject: Invitation to the IX European Day in Remembrance of Victims of
Terrorism – Brussels, 11 March 2013**

Dear Madam, Sir,

As already announced by email on 18 February 2013, the European Commission kindly invites you to the event "Europe against terrorism – the glance of victims" on the occasion of the IX European Day in Remembrance of Victims of Terrorism. The event will take place on:

**11 March 2013 – 10:30-14:30 in Room JDE 51
Committee of the Regions, Jacques Delors building
Rue Belliard 99-101, 1040 Brussels, Belgium**

This year, the event will be organised around a unique exhibition of pictures on terrorism realised by the victims of terrorism themselves, as part of a project financed by the Commission. This exhibition represents a very effective visual support for educational and awareness-raising purposes delegitimizing terrorism.

Besides your participation, the event will be attended by high representatives from the European Institutions and Member States. In addition, Mr Ben Emmerson, the UN Special Rapporteur on the promotion and protection of human rights and fundamental freedoms will deliver a presentation based on his report on the framework principles for securing the human rights of victims of terrorism.

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On such a special day, we will remember those who have lost their lives in terrorist attacks in Europe and elsewhere in the world, and listen to different initiatives to raise awareness and prevent further violence.

Interpretation facilities will be provided for in English, French, German, Italian, Dutch and Spanish.

If you are not yet registered, please note that the Commission can provide travel arrangements for two representatives per association of victims. The Commission will not be able to reimburse the costs of travel arrangements made directly by the participants.

I would be grateful if you could communicate the name and contact details (email, institution, date of birth, ID number, ID expiry) of your representative(s) by email to HOME-VICTIMS-DAY@ec.europa.eu **no later than 4 March 2013.**

A lunch will be offered to the participants after the meeting.

The Commission is looking forward to your participation in this event, to which we attach so much importance.

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You will find the draft agenda enclosed.

Yours sincerely,



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