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Message from the Prime Minister of Canada

Thank you to all of the survivors, descendants, and allies for participating in Liberation 75.

This event is an important opportunity to honour the strength and resilience of the Jewish people who persevered during one of the darkest periods in history. The Holocaust



serves as a tragic reminder of the horrors that can be created out of racism and hate. It also reminds us that we must always stand against antisemitism, xenophobia, and prejudice in all its forms.

Although this event is taking place virtually as we continue to follow public health guidelines to stop the spread of the COVID-19 pandemic, everyone in attendance is a testament to the power of choosing unity over division, hope over fear, and acceptance over intolerance. I invite all Canadians to take this occasion to remember the victims of the Holocaust, and honour its survivors. Today, and every day, we vow to remain vigilant against antisemitism and all forms of hatred, wherever and whenever they occur.

I would also like to thank the Canadian organizers for their hard work and dedication in hosting this event, especially Marilyn Sinclair for her leadership. As well, I would like to thank the Honourable Irwin Cotler, Canada's Special Envoy on Preserving Holocaust Remembrance and Combatting Antisemitism for representing our government at this historic event.

Your participation helps to ensure that we remember the victims of the Holocaust and pay tribute to those whose stories must never be forgotten.

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