## UN chief strongly condemns terrorist attack on Manchester concert

23 May 2017 — United Nations <u>Secretary-General</u> António Guterres has strongly condemned yesterday's horrific terrorist attack targeting crowd gathering for a concert in Manchester, the United Kingdom.

According to media reports, a suicide bombing killed at least 22 people and injured many at Manchester Arena, at the end of a concert by American pop star Ariana Grande. The Islamic State in Iraq and the Levant (ISIL/Da'esh) reportedly claimed responsibility for the attack.

Mr. Guterres conveys "his profound sympathy and solidarity with the people and Government of the United Kingdom" and "conveys his condolences to the families and friends of those killed, and wishes the injured an early and full recovery," <u>said</u> a statement issued by the Secretary-General's Spokesman Stéphane Dujarric.

"The Secretary-General hopes that those who are responsible for this despicable attack will be swiftly found and bought to justice," it added.