

**The Global Centre for the Responsibility to Protect and the Elders**

Press Release on the high-level panel on *Preventing Mass Atrocities: How Can the UN Security Council Do Better?*

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The Elders and Global Centre for the Responsibility to Protect call upon the UN Security Council to act to prevent mass atrocity crimes 26 September 2015 – At an event marking the opening of the 70th session of the United Nations (UN) General Assembly, The Elders and the Global Centre for the Responsibility to Protect urged the members of the UN Security Council to act more effectively to prevent mass atrocity crimes. The event, entitled Preventing Mass Atrocity Crimes: How Can the UN Security Council Do Better?, was held in New York. The Elders were represented by their Deputy Chair, Gro Harlem Brundtland, the former Prime Minister of Norway, and Hina Jilani, a leading activist in Pakistan's women's movement and international human rights defender. Jean-Marie Guéhenno, President and CEO of International Crisis Group, and Salil Shetty, Secretary-General of Amnesty International, were panelists. UN Deputy Secretary-General Jan Eliasson also made remarks. Dr. Simon Adams, Executive Director of the Global Centre for the Responsibility to Protect, moderated the event.

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