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Condemned to Remember: 26th January 2018

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Dear head teacher

To mark Holocaust Memorial Day this year, Solihull School and Remembering Srebrenica are very pleased to invite you to the British premiere of the highly acclaimed documentary *Condemned to Remember*, which will be screened in Solihull School's Bushell Hall, on 26 January 2018.

The subject of the film Tomi Reichental, Gerry Gregg, the film maker, and survivors from Bosnia-Herzegovina will travel to discuss their stories and the making of the film with our audience.

*Condemned to Remember* depicts an epic journey across a Europe in the throes of political, economic and social turmoil. Through the prism of the experiences of an 82 year old Holocaust survivor "who has seen all there is to see" the tumultuous story of contemporary Europe unfolds.

Visiting Germany, Poland, and Slovakia, Tomi Reichental maps the devastating plight of Jewish communities, visiting sites of atrocities and investigating the scale of the local collaboration and "collusion" with the Nazi extermination project. Tomi also observes the rise of the neo fascist "The Peoples Party-Our Slovakia". Tomi never dreamt he'd see the uniform of the men who destroyed his world on parade again in Bratislava. Thirty-five members of Tomi's family never returned from captivity; they were gassed, starved and worked to death. One was guillotined for his partisan activities.

In Bosnia- Herzegovina Tomi prays at the site of another war crime – the mass murder of 8,000 Muslim men and boys at Srebrenica in July 1995. There he meets with Hasan Hasanović and Dr Fatima Dautbašić-Klempic, survivors of the genocide, both of whom will join us for the screening. Like Tomi, they still search for justice, and for the bones of their loved ones.

Along the way Tomi's path crosses with the refugees who are trekking across Europe looking for sanctuary in a continent in the throes of upheaval. Tomi discovers a strong common bond with desperate men and women fleeing the hell that is Syria and other war-torn regions of the world.

*Condemned to Remember* is directed by renowned Emmy-winning film maker, Gerry Gregg, and is a Praxis Pictures Production in association with RTÉ.

The film will be screened at 2 pm on Friday, 26th January 2018, followed by a Q&A session with all 3 genocide survivors and the film producer. We anticipate the event finishing at approximately 4 pm.

If you and a group interested students would like to join us for the screening, please reserve the requisite number of tickets using the Trybooking link: <https://www.trybooking.co.uk/book/event?eid=2234&bof=1>

Tickets for unassigned seats are allocated free of charge, on a first-come first-served basis.

We look forward to warmly welcoming you.

Yours sincerely,

Mr DEJJ Lloyd, Headmaster  
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Chairman, Remembering Srebrenica