

**ADDRESS OF HIS HOLINESS POPE FRANCIS
TO REPRESENTATIVES OF THE YAZIDI COMMUNITY LIVING IN
GERMANY**

Room adjacent to Paul VI Audience Hall
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[...] I am also thinking of the members of your community who are still in the hands of terrorists: I earnestly hope that everything possible may be done to save them, as well as to find those who have disappeared and to identify and ensure an appropriate burial for those who have been killed. The international community cannot remain a silent and inactive spectator in the face of your crisis. Therefore I encourage the institutions and people of good will who belong to other communities to contribute to the rebuilding of your houses and your places of worship. May no concrete effort be spared to create the necessary conditions for refugees to return to their homes and to preserve the identity of the Yazidi community. May God help us to build together a world where it is possible to live in peace and fraternity. [...]