

**International Holocaust Remembrance Day:**

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extracts from the Ceremony with - Moshe KANTOR, President of the European Jewish Congress - Maroš ŠEFČOVIČ, Vice-President of the EC in charge of Inter-Institutional Relations and Administration - Martin SCHULZ, EP President. The International Holocaust Remembrance Day was celebrated under the presence of Martin SCHULZ, EP President at the Premises of the European Parliament in Brussels. At the ceremony participated Moshe KANTOR, President of the European Jewish Congress and Maroš ŠEFČOVIČ, Vice-President of the EC in charge of Inter-Institutional Relations and Administration. The International Holocaust Remembrance Day is an international memorial day for the victims of the Holocaust, the genocide that resulted in the annihilation of 6 million Jews, 2 million Gypsies (Roma and Sinti), 15,000 homosexual people and millions of others by the Nazi regime and its collaborators. President Martin SCHULZ has recently stated the commemoration of the Holocaust as a binding moment for the European Parliament.



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TIME	DESCRIPTION	DURATION
00:00:00	Title	00:00:05
00:00:05	Exterior shot of the EP, Brussels	00:00:05
00:00:10	Ambience shots before the start of the ceremony, arrival of EP President Martin SCHULZ, greetings to Moshe KANTOR, President of the European Jewish Congress, Nane Maria ANNAN, niece of Raoul Wallenberg, Władysław Bartoszewski, Polish Secretary of State for International Dialogue, Maroš ŠEFČOVIČ, Vice-President of the EC in charge of Inter-Institutional Relations and Administration and Cecilia MALMSTRÖM, EU Commissioner for Foreign Affairs.	00:00:38
00:00:48	Minute of silence in remembrance of the victims of the Shoah.	00:00:16
00:01:04	SOUNDBITE (English) Moshe KANTOR, President of the European Jewish Congress: "We cannot afford to close our eyes again, for the signs are all there: in 2012 the world and Europe in particular witnessed a huge raise of anti-Semitic incidents (...) Holocaust was the world tragedy, and the tragedy of European Jewry. On behalf of this Jewish community on behalf of European Jewry I'm today as a	00:01:04

	<p>the only, or best, of European unity, in 1994, as a President of the European Jewish Congress, warning Europe again: wake up immediately, and limit please your conventional tolerance first of all to racism, extremism, anti-Semitism, everywhere, from streets to the parliaments".</p>	
00:02:08	<p>SOUNDBITE (English) Maroš ŠEFČOVIČ, Vice-President of the EC in charge of Inter-Institutional Relations and Administration: "You see on many of the Holocaust memorials one Hebrew word, the word is 'Zakhor', it means remember and remember we must. Because the Holocaust must never be forgotten, it was the lowest point in the human history which must be remembered to make absolutely sure that the horrors of that age will never hunt us again". Cutaway with the two honoured Holocaust survivors: Bat Sheva Dagan and Jehuda Widawski.</p>	00:00:37
00:02:45	<p>SOUNDBITE (English) Alan SHATTER, Irish Minister for Justice, Equality and Defence: "We must not ignore the increase in anti-Semitism in Europe, the violence against individuals simply because they are Jewish, and the corrosive raise in racist and anti-Semitic rhetoric by a malign minority of politicians in some European Union member states".</p>	00:00:22
00:03:07	<p>SOUNDBITE (English) EP President Martin SCHULZ: "You described absolutely justified the risks. There is anti-Semitism in Europe. There is a free-elected member of a member state of the European Parliament asking for registering Jews. This is a shame in Europe" Applause, cutaway.</p>	00:00:30
00:03:37	<p>SOUNDBITE (English) EP President Martin SCHULZ: "And the place where the debate about these heterogeneous interests on one hand and the common solutions, the mutual trust and the mutual control to respect human rights and democratic standards, the place where it happens is here. And therefore the European parliament decided to make the Holocaust Remembrance Day a binding moment for the European Parliament. Because we are existing as a consequence, as a result, of the first half of the 20th Century".</p>	00:00:45
00:04:22	<p>SOUNDBITE (English) Bat Sheva DAGAN, Holocaust survivor: "Why did I survive that hell? Was it God above? luck? or my destiny? who knows.. I simply can't tell. Thank you". Applause</p>	00:00:22
00:04:44	<p>Bat Sheva DAGAN receives flowers from EP President, applause.</p>	00:00:08

00:04:52	Jehuda Widawski, Holocaust survivor recites the Kaddish (short extract). Ambience shots at the end of the ceremony.	00:00:15
00:05:07	END	00:00:00

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