The ravages of current conflicts on civilians are appalling. Every 24 minutes around the world, a civilian is injured or killed by a bomb or explosive weapon targeting an urban area.

As a direct witness to these human tragedies, Handicap International calls on the international community to take a leap forward. The organisation calls on states to protect civilians with a strong political declaration that should be the outcome of ongoing international discussions.

How can we accept, in 2019, that 90% of the victims of explosive weapons are civilians? It is to pay homage to these thousands of persons and to mobilise Swiss citizens that Handicap International will unveil the Unknown Civilian Memorial under Broken Chair on 14 November as part of its «Stop bombing civilians» campaign.

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