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The National Association for Down Syndrome joins the National Down Syndrome Congress, the National Down Syndrome Society, and other Down syndrome advocacy groups around the world in condemning the despicable acts of depravity by terrorists in recent bombings in Iraq.

Terrorists reached a shocking new moral low on February 1, 2008 when they maliciously strapped bombs to 2 women with Down syndrome and sent them into 2 different pet markets to explode bombs that killed more than 90 people.

Clearly these women were not suicide bombers – they were innocents who were murdered by the terrorists, as were all those who died in this attack. Even by the dreadful standards previously set by such attacks, this was surely a new low and a moral outrage that should appall all decent people.