



Virtual belated commemoration of the International Day of Vesak 2020

Thursday, 2 July 2020,
900-1030 hrs. (New York time)

Programme

Welcome remarks by PR of Sri Lanka and PR of Thailand

Remarks

Hon. Dinesh Gunawardena (*video message*)
Minister of Foreign Relations of Sri Lanka

H.E. Mr. Tijjani Muhammad-Bande
President of the General Assembly

H.E. Mr. Antonio Guterres
Secretary-General of the United Nations

Religious Blessings (*video messages*)

- **Theravada Tradition**
- **Mahayana Tradition**

Sermons (*video messages*)

- **Ven. Dr. Phra Anil Sakya**
Deputy Rector, Mahamakut Buddhist University in Thailand
- **Ven. Dr. Bellwanwila Dhammaratana Nayake Thero**
Chief Incumbent of Bellanwila Rajamaha Vihara
Advisor to the Buddhist Library in Singapore

Statements

**By participating Ambassadors and Permanent Representatives/Deputy
Permanent Representatives of UN Member States**

Closing remarks by PR of Thailand
