

Commemoration of the Romani victims of Nazism

**Lety u Písku
Concentration
Camp
2018
13 May at 12:00**



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Committee for the Redress of the Roma Holocaust

The commemoration ceremony for the victims of Nazism is being held with the kind support of the Czech Culture Ministry and the Foundation for Holocaust Victims on Sunday, 13 May 2018 at 12:00 at the remembrance site of the Lety Memorial.

On 17 December 1938, the pro-Government daily *Venkov* ("Countryside") published the following opinion:

"Something must happen here in the very near future. In other countries there are concentration camps for political transgressors. We will not take such measures. However, it would be good to build concentration camps for gypsies, wanderers and professional beggars who are young and healthy. In this case notions of humanity are not to be applied, because that would be too biased. (...) If the Government were to quickly intervene in this matter it would be to the benefit of the citizenry and public morale."

Please allow the relatives of the victims and survivors of Nazism to invite you to their traditional commemorative ceremony:

Program:

12:00 Czech national anthem, followed by the hymn of the Romani prisoners of the Nazi concentration camps

12:10 Welcoming of participants

12:15 Laying of floral offerings at the memorial

13:10 Spiritual reflection

13:25 Committee for the Redress of the Roma Holocaust Award for Humanity, given to those figures who advocated on behalf of the Czech Government for making the site of the former concentration camp at Lety u Písku a more dignified place of remembrance.

13:45 Cultural program performed by Carlos Vlasák (Sinto)

13:55 Speeches

14:40 Closing of the official part of the ceremony, tour of the alterations to the former concentration camp site, optional visit to the cemetery in Mirovice (2 km) to lay flowers at the mass grave of the child victims of the camp.