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TEN FLAGS FOR SEVENTY IMMORTAL LIVES AND SIXTEEN COUNTRIES OF THE WORLD STRUCK BY THE DISASTER

Even in the ceremony of this year, on June 26, 2016, ten flags next to the memorial commemorate the nationality of the seventy immortal lives and represent the Countries of the world that were more or less directly struck by the disaster.

Eight flags correspond to those of eight nationalities of the immortal lives: United States of America (37 passengers, considering the unborn creature), Italy (16), France (7), United Kingdom (4), Chile (3), Germany (1), Israel (1), Egypt (1).

The other two flags - those of the European Union and of the United Nations - symbolize eight other Countries struck by the disaster of June 26, 1959, because of the birthplaces of some of the unfortunate passengers: Greece, Spain, Romania, Poland, Russia, Czech Republic (Czechoslovakia in 1959), Algeria, Sudan.

Thus, the Countries involved in the plane crash of Olgiate Olona are sixteen in total. More specifically, among U.S. victims, eight were born in Italy, two in Greece, one in Spain, one in Czechoslovakia and one in Russia; among the French victims, two were born in Algeria, one in Egypt, one in Poland; one of the Italian victims was born in Egypt; the Israeli victim was born in Romania; the Egyptian victim was born in Sudan.