First sitting U.S. president makes historic Hiroshima trip

U.S. President Barack Obama will on Friday make a visit to Hiroshima, a city in Japan, called a “historic visit” to Hiroshima, the first city in the world, to have suffered an atomic bombing. Obama will be the first sitting U.S. president to visit the city, where thousands of U.S. citizens were killed a moment after a midair atomic bomb detonation over the city on Aug. 6, 1945.

The president is expected to offer flowers and deliver brief remarks at Peace Memorial Park, where Japan holds a memorial ceremony every year on the day of the atomic bombing. The ceremony will include a UN ceremony and a moment of silence, a moment after a midair atomic bomb detonation over the city on Aug. 6, 1945.

Foreign Secretary Philip Hammond offers wreaths at the Hiroshima Memorial Park on the occasion of the 70th anniversary of the Hiroshima bombing, on Aug. 6, 2015. KYODO

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