

Counter-Terrorism Committee Executive Directorate (CTED)

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Statement of

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Thank you, Under-Secretary-General Voronkov.

Excellencies, distinguished colleagues,

Terrorism continues to pose a grave threat to international peace and security, hence the need for us to continue our collective efforts to tackle all its forms and manifestations, including its drivers and new and emerging trends and challenges.

The biannual review of the UN Global Counter-Terrorism Strategy this year will offer another good opportunity to discuss ways and means for effective implementation of the four pillars of the Strategy, as well as how the UN Counter-Terrorism architecture will work further with Member States to achieve the goals of the Strategy and Council resolutions, with more impact and deliverables.

In this regard, I also welcome the fact that 25 of our OCT colleagues have been added to the UN regular budget posts, with the support of the Member States.

CTED has been an active member and strong supporter of the work of the UN Global CT Coordination Compact.

CTED has shared with UNOCT and within the Compact framework its assessment reports and stocktaking files of

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Member States to assist Compact entities in designing technical assistance and capacity-building activities, including to further the balanced implementation of the Global Counter-Terrorism Strategy across all four pillars.

Besides, the summary assessment of gaps in implementing key countering the financing of terrorism provisions of Security Council resolutions, which was shared with the Global Compact earlier this year, and is accessible to all on the CTC website.

Under the mandate of the Security Council and the policy guidance of the Counter-Terrorism Committee, CTED continues its unique role in assessing the implementation of counter

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The management of violent extremist prisoners and