

**Counter-Terrorism Committee Executive Directorate (CTED)**

**Meeting of the Security Council on the  
Fourteenth report of the Secretary-  
peace and security and the range of United Nations efforts in support of Member States in  
countering the threat**

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**Statement of**

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*Mr. President, Excellencies, distinguished colleagues,*

**I thank you for giving CTED the opportunity to brief the Council on the Fourteenth report of the Secretary-General on the threat posed by                      and the efforts of the United Nations to assist Member States to counter the threat.**

**The global terrorist landscape continues to present a range of complex challenges for Member States.**

**their strategic and operational approaches.**

**(with supporters notably emerging and expanding their operations in battlefields of West, East, Southern, and Central Africa) and is also seeking to exploit recent developments in Afghanistan.**

**It has also continued to regroup in its traditional geographical centre, resulting in a resurgence of violence in Iraq and the Syrian Arab Republic.**

**Developments following the recent death of the leader should be closely monitored.**

*Mr. President,*

**Over the past two years, the terrorist threat has of course also intersected with the many challenges posed by the COVID-19 pandemic.**

**restrictions, political tensions, and economic downturns exacerbated by the pandemic.**

**In some States, increasing political instability has led to critical governance situations, which may exacerbate a significant existing terrorist threat.**



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**with UNOCT and other key partners to ensure that the Counter-Terrorism relevant capacity-building activities.**

**I would also note that CTED recently issued its updated Global survey of Member updated Global survey of the implementation of resolution 1624 (2005), as well as a number of other reports and studies on the challenges faced by Member States.**

**Acting u -of- Council resolutions 2395 (2017) and 2617 (2021), CTED has continued to work closely together with UNOCT on a series of activities aimed at enhancing the capacities of Member States on, inter alia, countering terrorist travel; the creation of fusion cells; countering the trafficking of small arms and light weapons; the protection of vulnerable targets; countering the financing of terrorism; and prosecution, rehabilitation and reintegration.**