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Mr. Chairperson, Madame Secretary-General, Excellencies, Ladies and Gentlemen,

It is a great honour for me to address this distinguished audience.

At the outset, I would like to thank the International Civil Aviation Organization for organizing this important event and for inviting me to participate and take the floor.

This Second High-

In October 2016, the United Nations Security Council unanimously adopted a landmark resolution on Aviation Security, which called on all Member States to implement several measures to prevent and counter terrorist threats to civil aviation in accordance with international law.

Its adoption further underscored the important role of ICAO in supporting Member States to implement international aviation security standards.

In December 2017, the Council adopted resolution 2396, which creates new international

This initiative is closely aligned with the overarching principles and key priority outcomes of the Global Aviation Security Plan, as well as the requirements of resolution 2309.

We are now seeking to expand its reach to other countries in Asia, Africa and the Middle East, and we look forward to working closely with ICAO in this regard, to ensure a coordinated approach to address identified gaps and vulnerabilities.

I would like to thank the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia for its continued strong financial support for the United Nations Counter-Terrorism Centre.

ICAO is also a key implementing partner in the United Nations Office of Counter-Terrorism new flag-ship global project aimed at enhancing the capacity of Member States to use Advance Passenger Information (API) and Passenger Name Record (PNR) data to prevent terrorist travel. This new initiative is the largest that the United Nations Office of Counter-Terrorism has ever embarked on, and addresses