

**Remarks by Mr. Vladimir Voronkov,
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Counter-Terrorism**

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Our partnership is critical to facing the evolving terrorist threat, marked by the spread of Al-Qaida and

First, the Netherlands, Morocco, and UNOCT have jointly coordinated the implementation of the GCTF initiative on the impact of counter-terrorism financing measures on humanitarian and civic space.

The good practices document produced will support the implementation and visibility of Security Council resolution 2462 (2019) and of relevant guidance set forth by the Financial Action Task Force (FATF). This initiative demonstrates our commitment to ensuring that all measures to counter terrorism comply with international human rights and humanitarian law.

We envision closer cooperation with the Netherlands and Morocco, as well as with other Member States, on the implementation of the good practices document endorsed today.

Second, the United States and the Counter-Terrorism Compact working group on Border Management and Law Enforcement while countering terrorism, chaired by CTED, have coordinated the development of the Counterterrorism Watchlisting Toolkit, which helps to provide practical guidance to implement the *New York Memorandum on Good Practices for Interdicting Terrorist Travel*.

The watchlisting toolkit is an important contribution to our international cooperation in the watchlisting process, as encouraged by UN Security Council resolution 2322 (2016), 2396 (2017) and in line with the 2018 Addendum to the Madrid Guiding Principles on Foreign Terrorist Fighters.

Excellencies,

I am encouraged that the *Strategic Vision for the Next Decade* you are considering today includes strong references to the collaboration between the GCTF and the United Nations and I would like to thank Canada and Morocco for having sought our input during its development.

I look forward to developing our partnership further to leverage the comparative advantages of the GCTF and the United Nations.

The GCTF as a practitioner-oriented gathering of Member States, providers of bilateral assistance, donors and beneficiaries.

And the United Nations as custodian of norms, universal convener and provider of integrated and targeted capacity-building.

I am especially keen to enhance the field-orientation and resource-mobilization dimension of our collaboration, which is why I would like to draw your attention to the United Nations Multi-Year Appeal for Counter-Terrorism.

The Appeal is an interactive online tool to coordinate fundraising for 52 both ongoing and new counter-terrorism and prevention of violent extremism projects across 12 United

