

Pre-recorded opening remarks by Mr. Vladimir Voronkov,

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Launch Event of the Project on Protecting Vulnerable Targets by Using Behavioural Insights to Strengthen Law Enforcement Capabilities

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Excellencies,

Distinguished representatives,

Dear colleagues,

I would like to welcome you to this formal launch of the first joint project of the



I also warmly welcome the representatives from Member States, academia, civil society, and the private sector attending today's event, either in person in Madrid or online around the world.

Only through multi-stakeholder and multidimensional cooperation can we protect vulnerable targets, including critical infrastructure and <u>public places or 'soft targets'</u>, from terrorist threats.