

Statement by

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Your Excellency Mr. Antonio Guterres, UN Secretary-General, Your Excellency Mr. Vladimir Voronkov, Undersecretary for the UNOCT Excellencies, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I am honored to participate once again in this pivotal high-level meeting of the Global Counter-Terrorism Coordination Compact Committee, which brings together UN entities and partners active in counterterrorism efforts. This Committee and the Compact, through its thematic Working Groups, exemplify the kind of critical strategic coordination and coherence that meet the expectations of member states.

Given the crucial role of the CT Compact, the State of Qatar is proud to be a provider of financial support for its secretariat and seed funding for projects implemented through its working groups, as well as its Coordination Platform launched in 2020 as a digital gateway for fostering efficient and inclusive partnerships and collaboration its entities and member States.

Dear Colleagues,

The focus of this year's meeting is timely. With Africa becoming increasingly significant in the global terrorism and counter-terrorism landscape, it is essential for the Coordination Compact to concentrate on the unique challenges and opportunities in the continent. We need identification of emerging challenges, gaps in response and areas of possible action. Accordingly, coordinated concrete measures need to be taken by governments, regional organizations, civil society, and the UN system to address these challenges.

UNOCT took significant steps in supporting African nations to enhance their counterterrorism capabilities by the establishment of UNOCT offices and programmes in Kenya and Morocco. In addition, the numerous global programmes implemented by UNOCT and CT Compact partners, many of them funder by the State of Qatar, have significant activities and projects in African countries.

During the Counterterrorism Week last June, I had the honour to co-host the launch of the Joint Appeal for Counterterrorism in Africaint ApyW*4@£000.2 T nojects in inor Co

My country's support includes technical assistance in various African countries, as well as initiatives aimed to help in combating the root causes of