I am delighted and grateful for the opportunity to address you today.

As many speakers have echoed, the need to coordinate counter terrorism efforts with regional mechanisms, the private sector and civil society in Africa is critical in ensuring a more holistic and comprehensive response to the rising, complex and multifaceted threat of terrorism and violent extremism on the continent. We are encouraged by this positive commitment by the Global Compact on this issu**EQT** (W\*nBZTf (WZD)

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