

Counter-Terrorism Committee Executive Directorate (CTED)

UNOCT Global Coordination Compact

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Statement of

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Excellencies, distinguished colleagues,

since the previous quarterly briefing, held in January.

Since its emergence in early 2020, the COVID-19 pandemic has continued to present considerable ongoing and evolving challenges for Member States.

CTED has continued to be at the forefront of monitoring and assessing the impacts of the pandemic on terrorism, counter-terrorism, and countering violent extremism.

Despite the progress in vaccinations made by some Member States, outbreaks continue, and the pandemic remains a global threat.

We need stronger collaboration and cooperation to ensure a more cohesive response

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Despite fears of increasing terrorism and radicalization to violence, it is still too early to comprehensively assess the impacts of the pandemic on terrorism and counter-terrorism.

A CTED analytical report to be published in June 2021 will present the latest evidence-based research on the impacts of the pandemic, drawn from our close collaboration with partners in Member States, UN agencies, civil society, and the private sector.

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Allow me now to briefly highlight some of the ways in which CTED has continued to deliver on its mandate, working

constructive way to revitalize and maintain the dialogue between Member States and the Security Council.

It has also enabled other UN entities and international organizations to continue to work closely with CTED to assist States in their implementation efforts.

We also look forward to building on our constructive virtual dialogue during the physical components, which will be conducted when circumstances permit.

[2. Development of e-DIS]

[3. Participation in all-of-UN programmes]

In the context of its collaboration in the various UNOCT-UNCCT Global Programmes, CTED, acting in accordance with its mandate to facilitate the delivery of technical assistance, continues to play a key role in leading the capacity-building virtual missions falling under -of- , which included:

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In conclusion, let me assure you that CTED will continue to enhance its dialogue, information-sharing and partnership with its Global Coordination Compact partners in its efforts to assist Member States to counter terrorism and violent extremism conducive to terrorism, ensuring a tangible impact on the ground.

Thank you.