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*Science, Technology and Innovation: Understanding Advancements from the
Perspective of Countering Weapons of Mass Destruction Terrorism*

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Chairman of the Iraqi National Monitoring Authority for Non-Proliferation (INMA) of the Republic of Iraq, Mr. Mohsin Oleiwi Abdul Kadhim *It is well known to most of us that before 2014 large lands of Iraq were occupied by terrorist gangs of ISIS. During the liberation of these territories from the terrorist gangs a number of Iraqi security forces and civilians were attacked by toxic chemical agents. The number of casualties reached more than 2500 in one attack*

Director of UNICRI, Antonia Marie De Meo, *u* *together, we can improve responses to these threats, including by applying innovative*

Director and Deputy to the High Representative for Disarmament Affairs, United Nations Office for Disarmament Affairs (UNODA), Mr. Thomas Markram *As advances in science and technology continue to revolutionize human life, they are also diversifying the tools of conflict and the ability of both state and non-state actors to carry out attacks, including across international boundaries*

Senior Adviser to the Executive Director of Health Emergencies of the World Health Organization (WHO), Dr. Maurizio Barbeschi, *u* *the COVID-19 pandemic has shown us the centrality of public health in national security, and demonstrated that the impacts of*