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Thank you, Chair.

committed to bringing the resources and expertise of the Global Defeat-ISIS Coalition to bear on this next stage of the fight.

Member States' adoption of the "whole-of-government" approach to countering terrorism continues to be an important aspect of the Security Council's work. Several resolutions underscore the importance of having all elements of government work together to prevent and counter terrorism and terrorist radicalization and recruitment. Equally important is a "whole-of-society" approach. The UN should partner with local communities, including local governments, and key civil society organizations, which are among the most effective stakeholders in countering terrorist narratives.

We express our support for the UN's counterterrorism efforts, as well as those of the Global Counterterrorism Forum, or GCTF, its inspired institutions, and other multilateral bodies, civil society, the private sector and non-governmental organizations, and regional and sub-regional organizations, that work to develop practical tools to implement the UN counterterrorism framework. A prime example of this is the United States and UN co-led Watchlisting Initiative in the GCTF. We call for continued coordination among UN entities and with external partners, including the GCTF, the International Institute for Justice and the Rule of Law, the Global Community Engagement & Resilience Fund, and Hedayah.

The United States recognizes the progress being made within the UN Office of Counterterrorism to strengthen coordination efforts through its Global Compact. We have supported the development of UNOCT's Global Repatriation, Prosecution, Reintegration, and Rehabilitation Initiative, the Global Programme to Counter Terrorist Travel, and the Global Programme on Security of Major Sporting Events, and the Promotion of Sport and its Values as a Tool to Prevent Violent Extremism; the latter of which produced practical operating procedures, mechanisms, and best practices to protect vulnerable targets at major sporting events. The United States supports UNOCT efforts in making UN counterterrorism programming more efficient and effective, avoiding duplication, and assisting in implementation of the GCTS across all four of its pillars. Close coordination with the UN Counterterrorism Executive Directorate (CTED) is essential to ensure UNOCT's activities draw from the lessons and trends identified from CTED country assessments. Member States also need to be responsive and open to CTED's requests for visits.

We emphasize that efforts to counter terrorism that come at the expense of human rights and the rule of law are counterproductive. The work of CTED and UNOCT must recognize the importance of countering terrorism while respecting human rights and the rule of law. In this regard, we cannot avoid mentioning Xinjiang. The United States strongly objects to China's mass detention of Muslim Uyghurs and members of other minorities, repressive surveillance, and use of coercive population control like forced sterilization and abortion. Governments must not



“political” and “military” wings. We encourage others to do the same, and

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