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Statement
by Mr. Nuran Niyazaliev,
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"Measures to Eliminate International Terrorism"
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Mr. Chairman,
Distinguished Delegates,

First of all let me join the previous speakers in congratulating you, Sir, on your election as Chair of the Six Committee. Our congratulations also go to the other members of the Bureau. We assure you of our full cooperation and support in discharging your important duty.

I also would like to associate myself with the statement made by the Russian Federation on behalf of the Member States of the Shanghai Cooperation Organization.

Mr. Chairman,

Terrorism is a serious threat to international peace and security. Kyrgyzstan strongly condemns all acts of terrorism, irrespective of their motivation and wherever and by whomsoever committed. It must not be associated with any religion, nationality, civilization or ethnic groups. As a global and transnational phenomenon, terrorism can only be successfully fought through international cooperation. No one can stand against it alone. Despite our common efforts, it remains a persistent, evolving and long-term threat to the stability and socio-economic development of all countries.

In this regard, Kyrgyzstan reiterates its resolute support for all measures adopted within the framework of the UN in combating international terrorism. Such measures must be implemented in accordance with the principles of the Charter of the United Nations, international law and the relevant international conventions. We believe that the UN is the only unique multilateral structure with a truly global mandate, which is capable of consolidating international efforts in the fight against this global menace.

Kyrgyzstan had joined the most of the existing United Nations conventions designed to combat international terrorism, as well as their complementary protocols. The Security Council Summit held on September 24 has adopted resolution 2178 (2014) on addressing the threat posed by foreign terrorist fighters. We are undertaking appropriate actions to implement the resolution in accordance with the Chapter VII of the Charter of the United Nations. Kyrgyzstan firmly supports the Global Counter-Terrorism Strategy. It provides a solid foundation for an effective and comprehensive response to international terrorism at all levels. Without a doubt, some progress has been made since adoption of the Strategy in 2006. But the undiminished incidents of terrorism serve as a constant reminder that more efforts need to be done. In this regard we support the work of the Counter-Terrorism Implementation Task Force (CTITF) and welcome the UN Counter-Terrorism Centre's activities. Kyrgyzstan remains committed to negotiations on a comprehensive convention on international terrorism and underscores the need for progress. We support the proposal of convening a high-level conference under the United Nations auspices in order to formulate a joint organized response to terrorism and elaborate its common definition.

Mr. Chairman,

We clearly understand that one cannot overcome terrorism through the use of force. Coercive methods have only a temporary effect, generate negative results, and, therefore, are clearly insufficient.

The hard socio-economic situation and lack of good governance, low literacy and frail moral stance among the youth, lack of the rule of law and violations of human rights, along with political, demographic, ethnic and environmental problems contribute to the spread of terrorism. In this regard, the Government of Kyrgyzstan is actively using the tools of "soft power" to counter conditions conducive to the spread of terrorism. It includes improving of social and economic situation in the country, poverty reduction, creation of jobs, fight against corruption, reform of law enforcement and judicial systems. All these measures are reflected in the National Strategy of Sustainable Development of Kyrgyzstan for the period of 2013-2017.

Let me also underline that a low capacity, particularly in expertise and resources, constitutes the highest challenge for many countries, including Kyrgyzstan. It is important to help Member States to build and enhance their counter-terrorism capacities, especially in implementation the Security Council resolution 2178 (2014) on foreign terrorist fighters. My country stands ready for close cooperation on the matter.

Thank you.