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ELIMINATE INTERNATIONAL TOURISM**

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**Mr. Chairman,**

At the outset, I wish to congratulate you on your well deserved election as the chairman of the 6th Committee. I wish also to congratulate other members of the Bureau for their elections.

We welcome the report of the Secretary-General on the subject before us. We also appreciate the efforts of the United Nations and its agencies, Member States, regional organizations and other entities in the fight against terrorism.

My delegation associates itself with the statement delivered by the distinguished representative of Iran speaking on behalf of the Non Aligned Movement.

**Mr. Chairman,**

As we take up this item once again in the Sixth Committee, acts of terrorism continue unabated worldwide, taking new sophisticated shape indiscriminately affecting innocent people all over the world. Due to its impacts and threats, terrorism has remained on the United Nations agenda for decades. As my President accurately said during the general debate of the 69<sup>th</sup> Session, I quote:

*“Terrorism is assuming new dimensions making it the big threat of the moment because of its indiscriminate, lethal and callous character. Hundreds of innocent people have lost their lives or have been wounded. Many more have been forced to flee and some abducted with fatal consequences. No country is insulated and nobody is safe. As such it calls for all of us to play an active role in the fight against terrorism.”*

**Mr. Chairman,**

Despite the efforts that have been undertaken nationally, regionally and globally in the fight against terrorism, terrorist groups continue to form new alliances and employ new techniques of attack. They have used disintegrated fragile States as their breeding, operating and hiding grounds. As a result they have plundered and use the resources of those territories to acquire finances, arms and recruitments for their illegal operations. Responding to the magnitude and complexity of the challenge, demands greater coordination at the national, regional and international levels, particularly through the United Nations. It requires all of us to assist fragile States to have stable political systems and functional Governments. This would facilitate the elimination of breeding and hiding grounds.

The United Nations has played an indispensable role in coordinating the efforts by member states in countering terrorism and strengthening the ability of states to prevent terrorist acts, no single State big or small is immune from the effects of terrorism. Only a joint response of the international community can effectively deal with it.

**Mr. Chairman,**

Terrorists cannot be allowed to assume the role of the State. They should not be allowed to flourish and expand. The newly emerging groups such as ISIS should be eliminated by all means, it is in this context,

URT attaches great importance to the prevention of terrorism and is engaged at various levels in the fight against terrorism. At the national level, URT has continued to play its central role in combating terrorism in all its forms and manifestation and is a party to nine (9) universal counter terrorism instruments and one regional instrument. It has undertaken administrative as well as legislative steps, which include the enactment of relevant laws and establishment of inter-agency entities that coordinate the efforts of the Government in improving the overall capacity in preventing and combating terrorism, money laundering and terrorist financing. However, despite all these efforts URT is still facing several challenges:

Small arms, light weapons and their ammunitions remain to be the most commonly used means of terrorist attacks. Conflicts and instability especially in the Great Lakes Region and Somalia have given rise to illicit circulation of small arms and light weapons that abet terrorist acts. Furthermore, the porous borders in our region have been a precursor for terrorists to move in and out unchecked, poor border security has been the source for the spread of transnational crimes such as human trafficking, drug trafficking, firearms smuggling and money laundering.

URT has endeavoured to create job opportunities, women empowerment, vocational and entrepreneur training to youth within the country. These programmes intend to bring to youth a sense of self depended and wave out the criminal and dissatisfaction mind that were inculcated in their mind.

**Mr. Chairman,**

URT reaffirms its relentless effort to work with Member States collaboratively in addressing the key challenges of terrorism and enhance counter terrorism framework. Given the complex nature of terrorist threats, an integrated and coordinated response is essential to meeting the challenges in a more coherent and effective manner.

URT continues to attach great importance to the adoption of a comprehensive convention against terrorism. We join other speakers in calling for an early conclusion of the convention, while we applaud the work of the Ad Hoc Committee established by GA resolution 51/210. We urge all Member States to take necessary decisions, especially on the outstanding issues that have for many years hampered substantive progress on such a significant instrument.

**Mr. Chairman,**

Global problems call for global responses. We reiterate our commitment in fighting terrorism and stand ready to cooperate with other countries, including our neighbors, and with the relevant United Nations bodies and regional organizations to enhance border security, and create integrated and dedicated counter terrorism strategies.

**Thank you!**