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Measures to eliminate international terrorism

Mr. Chairman,

At the outset, I wish once more to congratulate you on your election and pledge my delegation's full support in discharge of your important duties ahead.

My delegation reaffirms Mongolia's strong condemnation of terrorism in all its forms and manifestations, committed by whomsoever, wherever and for whatever purposes. Mongolia sees the international terrorism as a threat to international peace and security, the acts of terrorism can not never be justified under any circumstances.

My delegation is of strong view that terrorism should not be associated with any religion, race, and culture, ethnic or national group. Thus efforts undertake by international community to eliminate terrorism require a global and coordinated response, including the promotion of the dialogue among civilizations, cultures and religions, and raising public awareness.

Mr. Chairman,

We fully support the UN Global Counter-Terrorism Strategy and its four pillars, and the efforts of the Secretary-General to implement them in an integrated manner and in all its aspects. We believe that the Strategy is a living document, which updates and regularly assesses, while maintaining balance in the implementation of its four pillars.

Mongolia is strongly emphasizes the central role of the United Nations as the appropriate framework for the coordination of counter-terrorism efforts, and the crucial role played by its system-wide, including in matters concerning technical assistance.

Mongolia is a party to the majority of international counter-terrorism instruments and is considering to accede to the remaining instruments. Mongolia has strengthened its counter-terrorism legislation through amendments into Anti-Terrorism Law, the Law on Combating Money-Laundering and Financing on Terrorism, the Criminal Code and Criminal Procedural Code.

Mongolia welcomes the visits of the representatives from the Counter-Terrorism Committee to Mongolia and recommendations on implementation of the provisions of Resolutions 1373 (2001) and 1624 (2005).

Mongolia has established an integrated border-management system that relies on cooperation and coordination between relevant agencies, including the General Intelligence Agency, the National Police, the Customs, the Immigration service and the Border-Protection Force. Mongolia has also issued ICAO-compliant Machine-Readable Passports (MRPs) and uses an Advanced Passenger Information System for passenger checking against watch lists.

Mr. Chairman,

Mongolia has taken significant steps to enhance the protection of human rights, inter alia through the establishment of the National Human Rights Commission (NHRC). In order to enhance its work, Mongolia will continue to engage in the constructive dialogues with the United Nations human rights mechanisms.

We highly commend the leading role of the United Nations in combating international terrorism. My delegation would like to emphasize its support for the work of the UN bodies, including the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime and United Nations Counter-Terrorism Centre, in assisting Member States in their implementation of the Global Strategy.

Mongolia reiterates that Member states should take more active and concrete steps to fulfill UN Security Council Resolutions on international efforts on countering terrorism, and actively participate and collaborate in the ways of intensifying and accelerating the exchange of operational information regarding traffic in arms, and to enhance coordination of efforts at national, regional and international levels.

Mr Chairman,

In conclusion, my delegation reiterates the commitment of the Government of Mongolia to increased cooperation with the Member States in our joint endeavours for peace and security of all our peoples and effective implementation of the United Nations Global Counter-Terrorism Strategy, as well as the resolutions related to review of the Strategy.

I wish to assure our strong support for a fruitful outcome of this session under your able leadership.

I thank you.