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The Permanent Mission of Bosnia and Herzegovina to the United Nations presents its compliments to the Office of Legal Affairs of the United Nations, and with reference to the latter's Note No: LA/COD/11/1 dated 06th January 2020, regarding the implementation of the United Nations General Assembly Resolution 74/194 "Measures to eliminate international terrorism", has the honour to inform that Ministry of Security of Bosnia and Herzegovina has taken measures to prevent terrorist activities on the territory of Bosnia and Herzegovina.

The Ministry of Security of Bosnia and Herzegovina has informed that 26 citizens of Bosnia and Herzegovina (8 men, 6 women and 12 children) were deported from Syrian Arab Republic and Iraq in 2019, where the men were involved in illegal and terrorist activities, fighting for the ISIL and Da'esh. All of these men, citizens of Bosnia and Herzegovina were prosecuted for "Illegal forming and joining to paramilitary and parapolice formations" (paragraph 162b of the Criminal Code of Bosnia and Herzegovina), "Organizing a terrorist group" (paragraph 202d (2) of the Criminal Code of Bosnia and Herzegovina) in connection with "the Terrorism" (paragraph 201 of the Criminal Code of Bosnia and Herzegovina).

The Ministry of Security of Bosnia and Herzegovina has also informed that a total number of 22 cases were processed in front of the Court of Bosnia and Herzegovina against a total of 40 persons. Three persons were released and other were punished from one to thirty five years in prison.

The Ministry of Security of Bosnia and Herzegovina and representatives of the other law enforcement agencies participate at the West Balkan Counter Terrorism Initiative work. They concluded that all level of the regional and bilateral cooperation between countries, as well as the cooperation with INTERPOL and EUROPOL has to be improved for more effective tackling these important issues.

The Ministry of Security of Bosnia and Herzegovina has been involved in all activities of tracking illegal migrations from African and Asian countries in order to prevent some terrorist fighters to use illegal migrations and go to the European Union countries, using the territory of Bosnia and Herzegovina.

The Permanent Mission of Bosnia and Herzegovina to the United Nations avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Office of Legal Affairs of the United Nations the assurances of its highest consideration.

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