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TO THE UNITED NATIONS

ON MEASURES TO ELIMINATE INTERNATIONAL TERRORISM

Mr. Chair,

At the outset, let me congratulate you and bureau members on the election of the Committee. My delegation assures you of our full cooperation and support during this session of the Committee.

Mr. Chair,

Mongolia has always paid significant importance to boost cooperation with the United Nations and regional organizations on tackling terrorism and taking all the necessary measures to implement United Nations Conventions against Terrorism.

Regarding terrorism prevention, there are no international terrorist attacks or active groups that have been detected in Mongolia.

To establish an effective counter-terrorism system, Mongolia first enacted the law on Combating Terrorism in 2004, and the law was revised 15 years later in line with new circumstances, trends in international terrorism, and international organization standards such as the Financial Action Task Force (FATF) recommendations on countering the financing of Terrorism and proliferation. The law on Combating Terrorism was revised as the Law on Counter-Terrorism and Proliferation in October 2019.

As a result of newly adopted law, the relevant legislation, regulations, and guidance have been revised, and progress has been made in the prevention of terrorism.

Mr. Chair,

As an illustration, Mongolia organized the high-level inter-regional conference on “Whole of society approach to counter violent extremism and radicalization that lead to terrorism” in cooperation with the United Nations Office of Counter-Terrorism (UNOCT), United Nations Office of Drug and Crime (UNODC), and the Organization for Security

and Co-operation in Europe (OSCE) in 2019. Furthermore, Mongolia signed the protocol on the Regional Anti-Terrorist Structure of the Shanghai Co-operation Organization (SCO). With the aim of cooperating to ensure regional security, the Government of Mongolia signed intergovernmental agreements on cooperating in combating Terrorism with the Government of the Republic of Turkey, Government of the Republic of Kazakhstan, the Republic of Kyrgyzstan, and the Government of the Russian Federation.

Mr. Chair,

The National Counter-Terrorism Council (NCTC) works as the leading body to integrate the national counter-terrorism efforts by gathering and analyzing information from foreign and domestic sources and disseminating the information to the Council members. The NCTC comprises 22 members of state-ministerial organizations and is headed by the General Intelligence Agency Director. The NCTC has launched “National Strategy on Combating Proliferation of weapons of mass destruction and terrorism 2020-2024” and its implementation is already in force.

Mongolia has conducted a national risk assessment on terrorism and proliferation, money laundering, and terrorist financing, which enable countries to prioritize their resources and allocate them properly. The national risk assessment is necessary to identify the nation’s vulnerability and threat and enhance public-private partnerships among the financial institutions and law enforcement agencies by sharing information.

In October 2019, Mongolia made a high-level political commitment to work with the FATF to strengthen the effectiveness of Anti-Money Laundering (AML)/Combating the Financing of Terrorism (CFT) and Proliferation regime (PR) and address any related technical deficiencies. As a result of substantially completing its action plan in the shortest period and demonstrating necessary political commitment, FATF has recently conducted a final on-site visit and assessment to verify its implementation of Mongolia’s AML/CFT/PR reforms is being sustained.

In conclusion, Mongolia is deeply committed to building a robust defense against the terrorism and financing of terrorism and proliferation by applying international conventions, standards, and recommendations.

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

I thank you.