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Mr. Chairman,

To begin with, my delegation would like to congratulate you on your deserved election as Chair of the committee and expresses hope that your able leadership will lead the work of the committee to a successful conclusion.

My delegation aligns itself with the statement delivered by the delegation of the Islamic Republic of Iran on behalf of the Non-aligned Movement and makes the following statement in its national capacity.

Mr. Chairman,

Amidst aspirations and support of humankind for a world free from terrorism, the international community has made ceaseless efforts to eliminate terrorism for decades.

However, terrorist acts become ever more rampant as days go by, posing grave threat to international peace and security and causing discomfort and fear among peoples a great extent.

Particularly, the Afghanistan crisis has undermined the expectation and credibility on the efforts of the international community for counter-terrorism, thus evoking great disappointment.

Hoping that this meeting will provide a valuable opportunity for deliberating on realistic and reasonable ways in countering terrorism, my delegation wishes to state the following views.

First of all, the issue of counter-terrorism should not be misused as a tool for pursuing political and economic interests and hegemony of power.

The international community is failing to achieve due results in its efforts for eliminating terrorism because some specific countries have been persistently engrossed in seeking their own interests under the pretext of counter-terrorism.

The UN should not allow the counter-terrorism issue to be manipulated by certain countries, but perform its full responsibility for ensuring that the combat against terrorism is waged as required by the UN Charter and international law.

Next, double standards need to be rejected in the fight against terrorism.

Double standard and bloc-forming will bring about only antagonism and confrontation among member states, destructing the basis of credibility of cooperation in counter-terrorism.

International community should duly denounce and condemn the double-dealing practices of some states that arbitrarily designate the countries disobedient to them as “state sponsor of terrorism” while stigmatizing the national liberation struggle for independence and territorial integrity as “terrorist act” and just measures to prevent terrorism as “human rights violation”.

Mr. Chairman,

It is the consistent principled stand of the government of the DPRK to oppose terrorism in all its forms and manifestations and any support thereto.

The government of the DPRK has adopted and continuously intensified the strong counter-terrorism measures to protect the national security and the people’s life and property from terrorist attacks and threats in all their forms.

Proceeding from the will to make an active contribution to the efforts of the international community for building a peaceful and stable world without terrorism, the

DPRK acceded to a series of international conventions on counter-terrorism and is fulfilling its obligations in good faith.

The government of the DPRK will, in the future, too, fulfill its responsibility and obligations to eradicate all forms of terrorism and safeguard peace and stability of the region and the rest of the world.

Thank you.