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ON MEASURES TO ELIMINATE INTERNATIONAL TERRORISM

Mr. Chair,

At the outset, let me congratulate you and the 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,

Please allow me to briefly introduce the latest developments and efforts of the Government of Mongolia on countering terrorism at the international, regional, and national levels.

Knowing the fact of the rapid growth of the nexus between new technologies and serious criminal activities, the Government of Mongolia has focused on enhancing its capacities to increase the resilience of critical national infrastructure against terrorists and other cyber-attacks.

Within the framework of close cooperation between the United Nations Office of Counter-Terrorism and the National Counter-Terrorism Council of Mongolia, on 16-17 November 2021, the National Workshop on the Protection of Critical Infrastructure from Terrorist Cyber-Attacks has successfully organized in Ulaanbaatar. Over 200 participants from government, law enforcement agencies, educational centers, banking, and privet sector attended the workshop.

Continuing the successful kick-off (initialization) of the cooperation in this direction, the Government of Mongolia agreed to participate in a survey under the project CT TECH implemented as part of the Global Counter-Terrorism Programme on Cybersecurity and New Technologies, launched by the United Nations Office of Counter-Terrorism and its United Nations Counter-Terrorism Center, INTERPOL and the European Union. The regional virtual meeting has held on 14 April 2022, with broad participation.

Since the virtual meeting has successfully organized, the National Counter-Terrorism Council of Mongolia has officially requested to benefit from the CT TECH project, and the first capacity building training on the use of facial recognition for Counter-Terrorism investigation is expected to be held on 3-28 October 2022.

Mr. Chair,

The Government of Mongolia is strongly committed to boosting cooperation with United Nations and its relevant bodies, regional and sub-regional organizations in tackling international terrorism.

Today, the international community is standing against challenges where every member States shall work together to collectively overcome the negative impacts caused by the Covid-19 pandemic, especially effects that have made the global security environment fragile.

In this era of digital technology and a deep dependency on these technological developments, we must have strong resilience against the misuse of emerging technologies by terrorists and transnational criminal organizations.

Mr. Chair,

In conclusion, Mongolia is deeply committed to building a robust defense against terrorism and financing 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.