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The Republic of Angola to the United Nations

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Mr. President,

Allow us to congratulate you on your election to preside over the work of the Sixth Committee.

Angola aligns itself with the statements delivered by Nigeria on behalf of the African Group and the Iran on behalf of the Non – Aligned Movement.

Mr. President,

Terrorism remains a serious and continuing threat to international peace and security. In addition to the costs in terms of human lives, terrorist acts aim to destabilizing Governments and compromising economic and social development.

For the Republic of Angola, terrorism remains a permanent theme on the governance agenda, making us constantly seek to develop strategies that lead to a rigorous system, to combat all forms and manifestations of national and international terrorism.

Angola recognizes that the growing post-modern wave of terrorism creates new challenges for relations among States and for peacekeeping, and that international law is an effective instrument in the unified fight against terrorist threats and attacks justified by ideologies or religions that go against the supreme principle of human dignity.

Mr. President,

Addressing this threat can be challenging, given the complexity and constant evolution of terrorist activity. Their funding motivations, methods of attack, and choice of targets are constantly changing.

Terrorist acts often defy national borders. A terrorist act can involve activities and actors from many countries. Due to its complexity, strong coordination, and cooperation among States at the regional and international levels in sharing best practices, lessons learned, and mutual assistance in investigating cases to combat this phenomenon effectively is essential.

Mr. President,

We want to find the best solutions for an effective fight against terrorism and other related evils afflicting the international community. At the same time, the Republic of Angola is strengthening the capacity of institutions such as the Courts, the Attorney General's Office, and the Criminal Investigation Service, which are responsible for combating this phenomenon and related crimes, such as economic and financial crimes.

The Angolan State, as a subject of international law, is equally committed, in collaboration with other matters of international law, to the search for more efficient and effective solutions that can provide an all-out fight against all overt or veiled forms of international terrorism.

To this end, Angola has adjusted and created instruments that facilitate the implementation of the universal legal framework against terrorism. So, first, we would like to mention the adoption of an intensive legislative package with the following highlights:

- Law 19/17 of 25 August, Law on Prevention and Fight against terrorism;
- Law 3/14 of February 10, Law of Classification of Crimes Related to Money Laundering
- Law 13/15 of 19 June on international judicial cooperation in criminal matters;
- Act 9/18 of 26 June on the repatriation of financial resources;
- Law 38/20 approves the new Angolan Penal Code, which provides for the criminalization of the crimes of genocide, crimes against humanity, and crimes of terrorism and international terrorism;
- The creation of the Financial Information Unit - FIU.

Mr. President,

The fight against transnational organized crime is therefore a priority of the Executive led by His Excellency João Manuela Gonçalves Lourenço, President of the Republic of Angola, concerning acts of terrorism, corruption, and impunity.

In the field of International Cooperation, the Republic of Angola has ensured the establishment of a fruitful international judicial cooperation with several States, both in criminal and civil matters, for the exchange of information and judicial requests, involving the Ministry of Justice and Human Rights and the General Prosecutor's Office of the Republic.

Finally, let us remind all present that the fight against the phenomenon of terrorism is a joint responsibility to be assumed by the entire international community.

The Angolan State reaffirms its full commitment and dedication to continue implementing legislative, administrative, and political solutions to confront, in harmony with the international community, the global phenomenon of terrorism.

Thank you very much!