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STATEMENT

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Mr. Chair,

Viet Nam aligns itself with the statements by distinguished representatives of the Islamic of Iran and the Kingdom of Cambodia on behalf of the Non-Aligned Movement (NAM) and the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) respectively.

Mr. Chair,

Terrorism remains a threat to peace and security worldwide.

The drivers of terrorism have diversified, and its root causes remain unaddressed.

At this meeting, we wish to make some following points.

First, we strongly condemn all acts of terrorism in all its forms and manifestations, regardless of their motivations, and believes that perpetrators of terrorist acts must be severely punished.

It should be noted that any measures to prevent and combat terrorism must fully comply with the United Nations Charter, including its purposes and principles, as well as obligations under international human rights law and international humanitarian law.

In this connection, we strongly reject double standards in countering terrorism.

Second, in order to effectively eliminate terrorism, measures should address its root causes of terrorism, including political, economic and social inequalities.

Enhancing community resilience against terrorism is also very crucial, and this can be achieved through alleviating poverty, fostering economic development, and promoting national unity.

Third, combating international terrorism requires unified action at national, regional, and global levels.

In this connection, we express our gratitude to our partners who condemned the terrorist attacks in Dak Lak province of Viet Nam in June 2023.

We look forward to the continued support and collaboration from Member States and relevant international organizations to investigate and prosecute those terrorists who remain at large.

We support the establishment of a working group to finalize the draft comprehensive convention on international terrorism.

We believe this effort will foster collaboration within the UN, as well as with all other stakeholders, including regional organizations and community entities.

Mr. Chair,

Viet Nam has employed various measures to implement the United Nations Global Counter-Terrorism Strategy and fulfilled its relevant international obligations against terrorism.

We have collaborated with INTERPOL, the United Nations Office of Counter-Terrorism, and other stakeholders in capacity building and experience sharing projects, border management, prevention of use of emerging technologies and digital space for terrorism-related activities.

At national level, we attach great importance to bringing our legislation in line with international commitments, including relevant UNSC resolutions on countering terrorist financing.

We have also prioritized capacity-building for law enforcement, including the recent establishment of the National Counter-Terrorism Training Center and the Air

Security Department with an aim to ensure flight security and prevent terrorism.

To conclude, Viet Nam wishes to reaffirm our commitment to supporting and further promoting collaboration in the collective endeavors to combat terrorism.

I thank you./.