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STATEMENT

By Minister Nguyen Hoang Nguyen, Deputy Permanent Representative of Viet Nam to the United Nations at the Sixth Committee of the 79th Session of the General Assembly Agenda item 110: "Measures to eliminate international terrorism"

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Mr. Chair,

I wish to join other colleagues in congratulating to you and the distinguished members of the Bureau of the Sixth Committee on your election. I believe, under your stewardship, the Committee will achieve productive outcomes during this session.

Viet Nam aligns itself with the statements delivered by the distinguished representatives of Iran and Cambodia on behalf of the Non-Aligned Movement and ASEAN, respectively.

Mr. Chair,

In recent years, thanks to the individual and collective efforts of Member States, considerable progress has been made in the fight against terrorism, as outlined in the latest Secretary-General's report on implementing the Global Counter-Terrorism Strategy. However, terrorism continues to pose significant threats to global peace and security, driven by the increasingly complex factors and underlying issues that remain largely unaddressed.

Against that backdrop, my delegation wishes to highlight the following points:

First, Viet Nam unequivocally condemns all acts of terrorism in any form and manifestation, regardless of their motivations. We believe the perpetrators of such acts must be duly prosecuted. In this connection, we appreciate the support and collaboration from Member States and relevant international organizations in the investigation and trial of those responsible for the terrorist attacks in Dak Lak province of Viet Nam in June 2023.

Second, to effectively eradicate terrorism, it is imperative that we tackle its root causes, including the political, economic, and social disparities. Strengthening community resilience to terrorism is crucial and can only be achieved by reducing poverty, promoting economic development, and fostering national unity.

Third, combating international terrorism necessitates coordinated actions at national, regional, and global levels. With this in mind, we welcome the efforts made by the Working Group on measures to eliminate terrorism in the elaboration of the draft Comprehensive Convention on International Terrorism, as well as discussions toward convening a high-level conference under the auspices of the United Nations for further deliberation on this issue.

Forth, it is essential that all measures to prevent and combat terrorism must be in full compliance with the UN Charter, and international human rights and humanitarian laws. We are opposed to double standards in addressing this critical issue.

Mr. Chair,

Viet Nam has implemented various measures in line with the United Nations Global Counter-Terrorism Strategy and fulfilled its international obligations in this regard. We have engaged with INTERPOL, the United Nations Office of Counter-Terrorism and other stakeholders in the implementation of projects focused in capacity building, border management, and prevention of the misuse of emerging technologies and digital platforms for terrorist activities.

At the national level, we prioritize aligning our legislation with international commitments, including UN Security Council resolutions on countering terrorist financing. We have also focused on enhancing law enforcement capacity, as demonstrated by the establishment of the National Counter-Terrorism Training Center and the Air Security Department, to ensure flight security and prevent acts of terrorism.

In conclusion, Viet Nam reaffirms its commitment to continued collaboration with all Member States, international organizations and relevant stakeholders in our common efforts to combat terrorism.

I thank you./.