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Thank you, Mr. Chair.

My delegation would like to join other delegates in offering congratulations to you and the other members of the Bureau on your election. I truly believe that under your leadership, the meetings of the Sixth Committee will produce meaningful progress. I would also like to thank the Secretariat for its unflagging efforts in preparing this meeting, as well as the report on this agenda.

The Republic of Korea is seriously concerned with the rise of terrorism in various parts of the world. Particularly disturbing is the resurgence of Da'esh in the Middle East and the ability of ISIL-K to project a threat outside Afghanistan, as highlighted in the recent Secretary-General's report on Da'esh.

These cases demonstrate how terrorism exploits instability and division among states, underscoring the importance of maintaining a united

front against terrorism under any circumstances. Reiterating our position that terrorism in all its forms and manifestations cannot and should not be tolerated or justified, I would like to highlight the following three points.

**First**, our unified stance against Da'esh, Al-Qaida, and their affiliates must remain uncompromised. Despite a decade of efforts, we continue to witness horrific acts, including a recent publicized beheading by ISIL in Syria—the first in several years—and the growing threat of terrorism in West Africa, which has made the Sahel the world's epicenter of terrorism. The threat of Da'esh is not a thing of the past but a pressing concern of today.

We must therefore sustain our collective engagement against Da'esh on all fronts. The Global Coalition to Defeat ISIS, of which the Republic of Korea is a member, must receive all necessary support to achieve its goal of eliminating the ISIS threat. The UN Joint Appeal for Counter-Terrorism in Africa, to which Korea has contributed this year, is another initiative we strongly back, and we urge Member States to join us in supporting these efforts.

**Second**, we commend the efforts of UN agencies in developing non-binding guiding principles regarding the use of new and emerging technologies for terrorist purposes. These guidelines are critical as they help the international community better understand the threats posed by these technologies and assist Member States in countering them.

We also look forward to the further development of guiding principles on emerging technologies by CTED, and as a member of the Security Council, the Republic of Korea is committed to active engagement in this process.

**Third**, a comprehensive and holistic approach is essential to effectively combat violent extremism and eliminate international terrorism. Military efforts are insufficient on their own and must be complemented by strategies that address the root causes of terrorism, such as poverty, political instability, marginalization, and lack of economic opportunities. We must prioritize long-term development initiatives that improve governance, education, and healthcare in vulnerable regions, ensuring that individuals, particularly youth and marginalized groups, are not left susceptible to extremist narratives.

Moreover, a whole-of-society approach is critical, where local communities, civil society, women, and youth play an integral role in creating tailored, locally-driven solutions. The Republic of Korea emphasizes the need for sustained international commitment and cooperation, recognizing that inclusive development and human security are fundamental to achieving lasting peace and eradicating violent extremism.

In conclusion, my delegation would like to reiterate our firm support for global counter-terrorism efforts and the central role played by the UN and its organs. The Korean government remains committed to fully implementing the Global Counter-Terrorism Strategy and relevant UN resolutions, and we will continue to actively engage in all efforts to achieve a world free of terrorism. I thank you. /END/