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**Statement by H.E. Mr. Tofiq Musayev,
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Mr. Chair,

At the outset, I would like to congratulate you and the other members of the Bureau on your election.

Azerbaijan is strongly committed to and an active partner in global counter-terrorism efforts and attaches great importance to promoting international cooperation to that end. Among other efforts and initiatives, Azerbaijan launched the annual Baku Security Forum in 2023, bringing together representatives of intelligence and security agencies from various countries to discuss issues of common interest and concern, in particular inter-agency collaboration in the field of counter-terrorism. The Third Forum that took place last month, with the participation of high-level representatives from nearly 90 countries, focused on international cooperation in prevention of humanitarian crises and human-induced disasters during terrorist acts and armed conflicts.

Mr. Chair, Azerbaijan has been a target of the externally orchestrated terrorism for years, while parts of its territory, when under occupation, served as a "grey zone" for the presence and activities of infiltrated terrorist, mercenary and other armed groups, as well as for illicit trade, uncontrolled arms and resource exploitation.

In its written submission to the report of the Secretary-General, prepared pursuant to paragraph 8 of General Assembly resolution 50/53 and paragraph 23 of General Assembly resolution 79/129, Azerbaijan provided an updated information on the implementation of paragraphs 10 (a) and (b) of the Declaration on Measures to Eliminate International Terrorism, annexed to General Assembly resolution 49/60 (A/80/177, paras. 14-17).

Accountability for serious offences, including terrorism, is imperative and must be inevitable. It is also an essential tool to prevent recurrence of violations and an indispensable constituent on the path to genuine reconciliation and to the adoption of a longer-term approach that looks toward shaping a more peaceful, just and inclusive future.

In this vein, it is important not to grant amnesty or any other form of early release to the perpetrators of terrorist acts. Equally, the instances of shielding and glorification of terrorists cannot be tolerated.

Overall, strict compliance by all States with their international counter-terrorism obligations is critical to ensure that their respective territories are not used for terrorist and related activities.

Furthermore, strengthening national and international legal frameworks is essential to detect, disrupt and interdict all forms of financial support for terrorism and violent extremism. This includes the prevention of radical ethnic diaspora communities from raising funds and other material means to finance terrorist and related criminal conduct under the cover of non-governmental, non-profit and charitable status.

It is also essential to address the root causes of radicalization, such as hate-driven extremism, as well as to invest in education for peace and fostering dialogue, particularly among youth.

As many delegations have emphasized, counter-terrorism efforts cannot and should not target any religion or culture. This principle must be part and parcel of any counter-terrorism strategy.

Furthermore, continued solidarity with and support for victims and survivors of terrorism must remain humanitarian and human rights imperative.

Mr. Chair, Azerbaijan will continue its efforts to combat international terrorism in all its forms and manifestations, prosecute offenders, contribute to developing the normative framework and promote international cooperation.

Thank you.