# **Information Note**<sup>1</sup>

**Event:** Visit of the Counter-Terrorism Committee (CTC) to Mongolia

**Organizer:** Counter Terrorism Committee Executive Directorate (CTED), under the

authority of the CTC, and the Government of Mongolia

**Date and Venue:** 26-30 May 2014, Ulan Bator, Mongolia

Mongolian Governmental officials: Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Ministry **Participants:** 

of Justice, Ministry of Defense, National Counter Terrorism Coordinative Council (NCTCC), the Mongolian Armed Forces, Financial Information Unit (FIU), Bank of Mongolia, Financial Regulatory Committee, General Authority for State Registration, General Intelligence Agency (GIA), Tenth Court of Criminal Appeals, Second District Court of Criminal Cases, Department of Supervision over Investigation Process, Capital City Prosecutor Office, General Department of Taxation, Customs, General Authority for Border Protection, Immigration of Mongolia, National Police Department, Civil Aviation Authority of Mongolia (MCAA), relevant agencies (Immigration, Customs, Border Specialized Inspection Department and Border Protection Department) at Buyant-Ukhaa Port, and Port Administration of Chinggis Khaan International Airway. (Mongolian Nuclear Energy Agency representatives participated in the meeting between the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and 1540 Committee

expert).

UN entities, international/regional organizations: Terrorism Prevention Branch of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (TPB/UNODC), expert of UNSCR 1267/1989 (Al-Qaida/Taliban) Monitoring Team, World Customs Organisation (WCO), Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE) and 1540 Committee expert.

## 1. Objectives of Participation of 1540 expert:

- Deepening dialogue with Mongolian national stakeholders regarding resolution 1540 (2004) and receiving updated information regarding the implementation of the resolution.
- Discussing the status of Mongolian 2007 assistance request and possible new assistance needs.
- Discussing future steps by Mongolia, including the official submission of additional information.

#### 2. Background

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- Resolution 1977 (2001) reiterated the need to continue to enhance ongoing cooperation among the 1540 Committee, the 1267 Committee and the 1373 Committee (the CTC) including through, as appropriate, enhanced information sharing, coordination on visits to States, within respective mandates, technical assistance and other issues of relevance to all three committees.
- In April, CTED invited the 1540 Committee to nominate a 1540 expert to participate in the visit to Mongolia with a view to monitoring their implementation of resolutions 1373 (2001) as well as 1540 (2004) and discussing related technical assistance needs. 1540 experts participated previously in visits to States at the invitation of the CTC (i.e. to Myanmar in November 2011 and to Guyana and Suriname in October 2013).
- Mongolia submitted its assistance request to the 1540 Committee on 14 February 2007. The US indicated in its NVs of 31 Aug 2009 and of 11 Oct 2011, and Mongolia in its National Report to the 1540 Committee of 18 April 2014, that the US supplied equipment for Mongolian border crossings as requested for detecting and interdicting illicit trafficking in nuclear and other radioactive materials.

## 3. Assessment

The CTC visit was conducted in two teams-Legal & Counter-Financing of Terrorism (CFT) and Law Enforcement and Border Control. The 1540 Committee expert participated in detailed discussions by attending the sessions which were more 1540 relevant. Participation in this visit, including meetings with appropriate public officials during which subjects relevant to resolution 1540 (2004) such as the legislation/enforcement to prevent the proliferation of nuclear, chemical and biological weapons and their means of delivery, related customs controls and border security or proliferation financing were discussed, provided a valuable chance for a 1540 Committee expert to engage directly with relevant national stakeholders in Mongolia to discuss the effective and comprehensive implementation of resolution 1540 (2004), to identify gaps and to suggest possible future steps.

### 4. Additional comments

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