

Counter-Terrorism Compact May-June 2021

OPERATIONALIZATION

IN FOCUS: Second Counter-Terrorism Week at the UN

- The Counter-Terrorism Week featured the review of the United Nations Global Counter-Terrorism Strategy, the Second High-Level Conference on Counter-Terrorism, convened by the UN Secretary-General, and side events.
- At the 2nd High-Level Conference of Heads of Counter-Terrorism Agencies of Member States, UN Secretary-General Guterres' <u>called</u> for "consistent, coordinated and comprehensive efforts across countries, sectors and disciplines, anchored in human rights and the rule of law" in preventing and countering terrorism and violent extremism (28 Jun)
- 36 virtual side events coordinated by UNOCT and organized by Member States, Counter-Terrorism Compact entities, and civil society, including 19 organized or co-organized by UNOCT, during the Counter-Terrorism Week drew some 10,000 participants, with an additional 15,000 views on UN WebTv (24-30 Jun)
- Plenary Meeting of the General Assembly resulted in the consensus adoption of GA resolution <u>A/RES/75/291</u> on the 7th review of the United Nations Global Counter-Terrorism Strategy (30 Jun)
- The Global Counter-Terrorism Coordination Compact was cited 29 times in the resolution, including in 24
 Operative Paragraphs

UN GLOBAL COUNTER-TERRORISM COORDINATION PLATFORM

Launched in March 2020, the Platform was developed and is maintained by UNOCT thanks to the financial support of the State of Qatar counting:

- 131 Member States nominated focal point users
- **2,000 Documents** uploaded on the Platform
- 87,380 Visits to the Platform since its launch
- **CTED technical assistance recommendations** available to entities
- 23 CTED country assessments available to entities

LEADERSHIP, COORDINATION, COHERENCE

HIGH-LEVEL EVENTS, VISITS AND OTHER NOTEWORTHY EVENTS

- The UN Reference Group for PVE/CT in the Maldives brought together UNOCT, RCO, DPPA-DPO, UNDP, UNICEF, UNODC to coordinate a proposal for PCVE activities and the implementation of the Global Framework on UN Support on Syria/Iraq Third Country National Returnees in the Maldives (26 May)
- At the UN Peace Hub Indonesia June meeting, UNOCT, UNODC, UNDP, UN Women, UNESCO, IOM, DPPA/DPO, ILO, UNESCO, RCO together with UNICEF and UNFPA presented a "One-UN" approach to support Indonesia PCVE efforts (1 Jun)
- Under the leadership of UNOCT, the UN Countering Terrorist Travel Programme provided update to Member States, IROs and the private sector on ongoing efforts on the collection and use of Maritime Passenger Data (10 Jun)
 - Launch of the <u>2021-2022 Multi-Year Appeal for Counter-Terrorism</u>, which consolidates initiatives from CTED, IMO, INTERPOL, IOM, OHCHR, UNDP, UNICEF, UNICRI, UNOCT, UNODC, UNRCCA and UN Women across the four Pillars of the GCTS USG <u>Voronkov</u>, ASG <u>Coninsx</u>, DG/ED <u>Waly</u> statements (29 Jun)
- During the Counter-Terrorism Compact and GCTF joint side event on Multilateral Counter-Terrorism Cooperation: the Global CT Compact – GCTF Partnership, <u>USG Voronkov highlighted</u> the important role of the Counter-Terrorism Compact in ensuring coherence and coordination among the UN system in providing support to MS on CT policies and programmes (30 Jun)

STATEMENTS FROM HEADS OF CT COMPACT

- UN High Commissioner for Human Rights Michelle Bachelet <u>recalled</u> that "it is essential to end actions that silence critical NGOs on the pretext that they are "promoting" or "glorifying" terrorism" (25 May)
- ASG Coninsx's <u>statement</u> during the Security Council Arria-Formula meeting on "the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on international efforts to prevent and counter terrorism and violent extremism" (16 Jun)
- USG Voronkov's opening and closing statements during the 2nd HLC (28-30 Jun)
- UNAOC High Representative Moratinos' <u>statement</u> and DG/ED Waly's <u>statement</u> during the 2nd High-Level Conference (30 Jun)



Counter-Terrorism Compact May-June 2021

GUIDANCE, RESEARCH, ANALYSIS

New publications from Compact entities

- UNICRI-UNOCT joint reports on Countering Terrorism Online with AI: An Overview for Law Enforcement and Counter-Terrorism Agencies in South and South-East Asia and Algorithms and Terrorism: The Malicious use of AI for **Terrorist Purposes**
- UNICRI's summary report of Expert meeting on "Emerging trends and recent evolution of the threat posed by ISIL/Al-Qaida inspired terrorism in Europe"
- UNODC's Counter-Terrorism Legal Training Curriculum on "Counter-Terrorism in the International Law Context"
- UNDP policy briefs on climate change and violent extremism in Africa; misogyny: the extremist gateway and when is conventional wise: testing the assumptions behind PVE

COMPACT WORKING GROUP MEETINGS

6 Meetings held in May-June. Highlights:

- Working group on Human Rights, Rule of Law and Victims of Terrorism (HRRoL-VoT) discussed the respect, promotion and protection of HR in the implementation of the GCTS (1 May)
- Working group on national and regional strategies (NARS) discussed the Joint Plan of Action for the implementation of the GCTS in Central Asia (5 May)
- Joint meeting of the working groups on PCVE, Gender and HRRoL-VoT focused on "Safeguarding human rights while preventing and countering violent extremism conducive to terrorism" and discussed PCVE in Iraq (20 May)
- Working group on adopting a gender-sensitive approach to preventing and countering terrorism, UN Women briefed on the implementation of the recommendations of the Global Digital Consultation (24 May)
- Working group on criminal justice, legal responses and countering the financing of terrorism (CJLR-CFT), CTED presented its technical assistance needs and recommendations (3 June)
- Working group on resource mobilization and monitoring and evaluation (RMME), UNOCT updated on the 2021-2022 MYA, Project Matrix, and the Meta-Synthesis Study of Evaluations (10 June)

JOINT PROJECTS AND CAPACITY-BUILDING

18



7 completed

Joint projects with catalytic funding from UNOCT/UNCCT



on priority and emerging issues such as biometrics, combating WMD terrorism, 'far-right' violent extremism conducive to terrorism, challenges related to FTFs, terrorism financing, countering terrorism and human rights, gender mainstreaming, and gender-sensitive screening, prosecution and rehabilitation

MULTI-AGENCY MEETINGS, PROGRAMMES AND PROJECTS

- 2nd Global Coordination Compact Quarterly Briefing to Member States attended by over 170 representatives from Member States and Compact Entities, with statements from ASG Coninsx and Mr. Gregorian, Deputy USG of UNOCT (19 May)
- UN Women-led meeting on the implementation of WPS resolutions in the context of the GCTS and CT/PVE responses highlighted the importance of WPS resolutions for the implementation of the four pillars of the GCTS (19 May)
- UNOCT-Spain joint Virtual "Dialogue with Human Rights and Civil Society Partners on Building a Better Paradigm to Prevent and Counter Terrorism" (25-26 May)
- ICAO Traveller Identification Programme Symposium 2021 and the 1st Joint ICAO/INTERPOL Passenger Data Exchange Forum focused on the need for innovative technologies in addressing border control challenges (25-28 May)
- 3rd Meeting of the UN Bio-Risk Working Group (BRWG), co-led by WHO and ODA gathered UNOCT, DESA, DPPA-DPO, EOSG, FAO, OCHA, OLA, UNDSS, UNOCC and UNODC to explore a staff exchange programme to improve UN coherence and staff's capability to tackle main biorisk duties (3 June)
- **USG Voronkov** and **Director De Meo** officially signed the **UNOCT-UNICRI** Programme of Action for Enhanced Collaboration and Cooperation to further strengthen the partnership between UNOCT and UNICRI (9 June)

Counter-Terrorism Compact May-June 2021

COUNTER-TERRORISM COMPACT ENTITIES

MEMBERS

- 1. 1267 Committee Monitoring Team
- 2. 1540 Committee Expert Group
- 3. Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty Organization (CTBTO)
- 4. Counter-Terrorism Executive Directorate (CTED)
- Department for Safety and Security (DSS)
- 6. Department of Peace Operations (DPO)
- 7. Department of Political and Peacebuilding Affairs (DPPA)
- Department of Global Communications (DGC)
- 9. Executive Office of the Secretary-General Rule of Law Unit (EOSG RoL)
- 10. International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO)
- 11. International Criminal Police Organization (INTERPOL)
- 12. International Labor Organization (ILO)
- 13. International Maritime Organization (IMO)
- 14. Office for Disarmament Affairs (UNODA)
- 15. Office of Information and Communications Technology (OICT)
- 16. Office of Legal Affairs (OLA)
- 17. Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR)
- 18. Office of the Secretary-General's Envoy on Youth
- 19. Office of the Special Adviser on the Prevention of Genocide (OSAPG)
- Office of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Children and Armed Conflict (OSRSG-CAAC)
- Office of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Sexual Violence in Conflict (OSRSG-SVC)
- Office of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Violence against Children (OSRSG-VAC)
- 23. Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (OPCW)
- Special Rapporteur on the Promotion and Protection of Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms while Countering Terrorism
- 25. United Nations Alliance of Civilizations (UNAOC)
- 26. United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)
- 27. United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO)
- 28. United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN Women)
- 29. United Nations Interregional Crime and Justice Research Institute (UNICRI)
- 30. United Nations Institute for Disarmament Research (UNIDIR)
- 31. United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR)
- 32. United Nations Office of Counter-Terrorism (UNOCT)
- 33. United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC)
- 34. United Nations Office of the Special Adviser on Africa (UNOSAA)
- 35. United Nations System Staff College (UNSSC)
- 36. World Customs Organization (WCO)
- 37. World Health Organization (WHO)

OBSERVERS

- Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA)
- International Organization for Migration (IOM)
- Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU)
- Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA)
- 5. United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR)
- United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF)

COUNTER-TERRORISM COMPACT STRUCTURE

Coordination Committee

Chair: Under-Secretary-General for Counter-Terrorism, Head of UNOCT

Counter-Terrorism Compact Secretariat in UNOCT

administrator of the Global Counter-Terrorism Coordination Platform

Eight Counter-Terrorism Compact Working Groups

under the four Pillars of the United Nations Global Counter-Terrorism Strategy

