

OPERATIONALIZATION

IN FOCUS: The situation in Afghanistan and implications for counter-terrorism

- ❖ **UN Special Rapporteur on human rights while countering terrorism** delivered a statement on “Human rights situation in Afghanistan & victims of terrorism”, in the margins of the 47th session of the Human Rights Council (6 Jul)
- ❖ **UN Secretary-General’s statement** urging the Security Council to use all tools at its disposal to prevent Afghanistan from being used as a platform or safe haven for terrorism (16 Aug)
- ❖ **USG Voronkov and ASG Coninx statements** delivered during the presentation of the 13th Report of the Secretary-General on the threat posed by ISIL (Da’esh), echoing the Secretary-General’s appeal on Afghanistan (19 Aug)
- ❖ Afghanistan: **UN experts** urge swift global action to protect human rights and prevent ‘civilian slaughter’ (16 Aug)
- ❖ **INTERPOL Secretary General video address** on the “Continued imperative to combat ISIS”, accompanying a joint statement by the Global Coalition to defeat Da’esh/ISIS (30 Aug)

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.

- **New features: chat function, discussion forum, user-friendly CTED technical assistance recommendations matrix**

884 Focal point users from entities and Member States	2,000 Documents uploaded on the Platform
131 Member States nominated focal point users	643 CTED technical assistance recommendations available to entities in a new user-friendly matrix
92,110 Visits to the Platform since its launch	23 CTED country assessments available to entities



LEADERSHIP, COORDINATION, COHERENCE

HIGH-LEVEL EVENTS, VISITS AND OTHER NOTEWORTHY EVENTS

- **First Expert Meeting on the Violent Extremist Prisoners (VEPs) Database Project** on the establishment of a system for the generation and collection of data on VEPs in the world, organized by UNOCT and UNICRI, gathered representatives of 1267 AQMT, CTED, UNODC, DPPA-DPO and other entities (12 Jul)
- **UN Security Council Arria Formula Meeting**: “Preventing terrorism and violent extremism through tackling gender stereotypes, masculinities, and structural gender inequality”, **ASG Coninx statement** (28 Jul)
- **UNOCT-UNODC-CTED Cameroon-Nigeria Bilateral Consultation** on cooperation regarding Investigation and prosecution of Boko Haram offences (27-28 Jul)
- **UN Security Council Arria Formula Meeting**: “Humanitarian action: overcoming challenges in situations of armed conflict and counter-terrorism operations” (11 Aug)
- **UN Security Council Meeting**: Threats to International Peace and Security caused by Terrorist Acts, USG Voronkov [presented](#) the 13th Report of the Secretary-General on the threat posed by ISIL (Da’esh), [USG Voronkov’s](#) and [ASG Coninx statements](#) (19 Aug)
- **4th International Day of Remembrance of and Tribute to the Victims of Terrorism**: high-level event and a short film “Surviving Terrorism: The Power of Connections” with over 300 participants, including representatives of Member States, UN entities, CSOs and victims of terrorism, [Secretary-General](#) and [USG Voronkov statements](#) (20 Aug)
- **Launch Conference of the UNCCT-INTERPOL Project on Enhancing information Sharing on Foreign Terrorist Fighters**, convened by UNCCT and INTERPOL, attended by 25 Member States (30-31 Aug)

STATEMENTS FROM HEADS OF COMPACT ENTITIES

- **ED/DG of UNODC Waly statement** during High Level event: “A double anniversary: the Firearms Protocol and the Programme of Action on small arms turn 20” (26 Jul)
- **ED/DG of UNODC Waly statement** during UN Security Council High Level Virtual Open Debate: “Enhancing Maritime Security: A case for international cooperation” (9 Aug)

GUIDANCE, RESEARCH, ANALYSIS

NEW REPORTS AND PUBLICATIONS FROM COMPACT ENTITIES

- UNOCT-UNICRI-UNAOC-ICSS Global Sports Programme [Guide](#) on the **Security of Major Sporting Events** (29 Jun)
- Report of the Secretary-General on **UNIFIL** ([S/2021/650](#)) (13 Jul)
- Report of the Secretary-General on **Children and Armed Conflict in Afghanistan** ([S/2021/662](#)) (16 Jul)
- Annual Report of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General on **Violence against Children** ([A/76/224](#)) (23 Jul)
- UNIDIR: Reference [Methodology](#) for **National Weapons and Ammunition Management Baseline Assessments** (26 Jul)
- 13th Report of the Secretary-General on the **threat posed by ISIL (Da'esh)** to international peace and security and the range of United Nations efforts in support of Member States in countering the threat ([S/2021/682](#)) (27 Jul)
- UN Women: UN Trust Fund to end **Violence against Women** annual [report](#) 2020 (24 Jul)
- Report of the Secretary-General on **UNAMI** ([2021/700](#)) (3 Aug)
- Report of the Secretary-General on the situation in **Somalia** ([S/2021/723](#)) (10 Aug)
- UNIDIR: **Arms Trade Treaty** Issue [Brief](#) 3: Diversion Analysis Framework (31 Aug)

COMPACT WORKING GROUP MEETINGS

2 Meetings held in July-August:

- **Working group on Emerging Threats and Critical Infrastructure Protection** (ETCIP) discussed new capacity-building courses and support to Member States and the main outcomes from the 2nd International Expert Group Meeting on the Protection of Urban Centers and Touristic Venues held in June (8 Jul)
- **Working group on Border Management and Law Enforcement related to Counter-Terrorism** (BMLE) heard updates on the further steps in the implementation of the seed-funding project on preventing terrorists from acquiring weapons (27 Jul)

JOINT PROJECTS AND CAPACITY-BUILDING

18 

Joint projects with
catalytic funding from UNOCT/UNCCT

➡ 8 completed
➡ 10 ongoing

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

- The ETCIP working group project on Technology and Security to Combat Weapons of Mass Destruction (WMD) terrorism led by UNOCT/UNCCT and UNICRI has been completed and led to a peer reviewed **report on Science, Technology and Innovation: Understanding Advancements from the Perspective of Countering WMD Terrorism** (31 Jul)

MULTI-AGENCY MEETINGS, PROGRAMMES AND PROJECTS

- **Capacity-building activities to support Sudanese CSOs, journalists, religious, youth, and community leaders in combating hate speech and violent extremist/terrorism narratives** carried out by UNOCT, OHCHR, UNDP, UNESCO, OSAPG, DPPA in partnership with the AU, EU, US (Jul-Aug)
- **UN Coordinating Task Force meeting on a Whole-of-UN System Approach on Improvised Explosive Devices (IEDs)** with UNOCT, CTED, DPPA-DPO, UNDP, UNDSS, UNICEF, UNODA, UNODC and other UN entities (9 Jul)
- **Inter-Agency Working Group meeting on Hate Speech** to discuss the implementation of the UN Strategy and Plan of Action on Hate Speech in Iraq gathered OSAPG, UNOCT, OHCHR, UNESCO, UNDP, UNAOC, DGC, DCO, DPPA, IOM, DPI, Office of the Secretary-General's Envoy on Youth, SRSG-VAC (13 Jul)
- **Regional training on the "Use of Biometrics and Travelers Information to enhance Border Security" for Member States of the Arab League** held by UNOCT, IOM, CTED, ICAO, OICT (27-29 Jul)



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)
5. Department for Safety and Security (DSS)
6. Department of Peace Operations (DPO)
7. Department of Political and Peacebuilding Affairs (DPPA)
8. 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)
20. Office of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Children and Armed Conflict (OSRSG-CAAC)
21. Office of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Sexual Violence in Conflict (OSRSG-SVC)
22. Office of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Violence against Children (OSRSG-VAC)
23. Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (OPCW)
24. 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

1. Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA)
2. International Organization for Migration (IOM)
3. Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU)
4. Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA)
5. United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR)
6. 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

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Eight Counter-Terrorism Compact Working Groups

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

