Counter-Terrorism Leadership

- On the margins of the 74th UNGA High-Level Week: USG Voronkov held 60 bilateral meetings with Member States and international partners.
- UNCT took part in 31 side events and co-organized 10 side events.

- The Leaders’ Dialogue on “Strategic Responses to Terrorist and Violent Extremist Narratives”, co-organized by Jordan, France, New Zealand and UNCT, brought together leaders from around 20 countries, major tech companies, and civil society representatives. (23 September, New York)
- UNCT co-hosted an event on “Promoting the Power of Sports to Prevent and Counter Violent Extremism” with the United States and the State of Qatar. (25 September, New York)
- UNCT also co-hosted the First Ministerial meeting of the Group of Friends of Victims of Terrorism on the sidelines of UNGA. The meeting was convened by the co-chairs, Afghanistan and Spain, to adopt the Group’s plan of action for 2020. (24 September, New York)
- UNCT launched the Handbook on “Children affected by the Foreign-Fighter Phenomenon: Ensuring a Child Rights-Based Approach” at a high-level event on “Protecting Children Affected by Terrorism: A Global Priority” co-organized with UNODC. (27 September, New York)
- At the Fourth Coordination Meeting between the United Nations and the Global Counterterrorism Forum (GCTF), USG Voronkov welcomed the progress leading to clear UN-GCTF joint thematic & geographical priorities to guide a more effective CT&PVE cooperation. (26 September, New York)

High-level Regional Conference

- The Joint Belarus-UN High-level Conference on Counter-Terrorism and the Use of New and Emerging Technologies brought together over 350 high-level officials and experts from 55 states from across Europe and Asia, 10 international and regional organizations, as well as representatives from civil society, technology companies, private sector and academia. (3-4 September, Minsk)

Highlights

- At the invitation of the Government of Saudi Arabia, USG Voronkov, Executive Director of the UNCT, held high-level consultations in Riyadh and strengthened UNCT’s cooperation with Saudi Centres of Excellence. (11-12 September, Riyadh)
- USG Voronkov provided a comprehensive briefing to the EU Council Working Party on Terrorism (COTER) on UNCT’s achievements, the UN-EU partnership, preparations for 2020 UN CT Week and the 9th Report of Secretary-General on the threat of ISIL. (16 September, Helsinki)

Capacity Building

- UNCT, together with Bahrain, organized a two-day capacity-building workshop for 83 Bahraini officials from 12 national ministries and agencies on best practices to protect the non-profit sector from terrorist abuse. (3-4 September, Bahrain)
- The joint UNCT/UNODC/CTED Violent Extremist Prisoners Project launched its programme of practical assistance to the Government of Uganda through a workshop on prisoner classification with the Ugandan Prisons Service. (11-12 September, Kampala)
- UNCT delivered three five-day capacity-building workshops in Jakarta, Semarang, and Surabaya, and one four-day capacity-building workshop in Malé to 225 beneficiaries, including primarily Directors, Administrators and Instructors from Technical and Vocational Employment Training Centres. (16-20 September, Indonesia and 26 September, Maldives)
- UNCT organized a regional training jointly with UNODC to build capacities of front-line officers at international airports to address terrorism-related threats in the Sahel Region, including participants from Burkina Faso, Chad, Mali, Mauritania, Niger and Senegal. (16-20 September, Dakar)

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UN Global CT Strategy

Pillar I
Addressing the conditions conducive to the spread of terrorism

Pillar II
Preventing and combating terrorism

Pillar III
Building States' capacity and strengthening the role of the UN

Pillar IV
Ensuring human rights and the rule of law

UNOCT Mandate

Established through GA resolution 71/291 on 15 June 2017, the Office has 5 functions:

- **Provide leadership** on the GA counter-terrorism mandates entrusted to the Secretary-General from across the UN system;
- **Enhance coordination and coherence** across the 38 Global Counter-Terrorism Compact entities to ensure the balanced implementation of the four pillars of the UN Global CT Strategy;
- **Strengthen delivery** of UN counter-terrorism capacity building assistance to Member States;
- **Improve visibility, advocacy and resource mobilization** for UN counter-terrorism efforts;
- **Ensure that due priority is given** to counter-terrorism across the UN system and that the important work on preventing violent extremism is firmly rooted in the Strategy.

To enhance **coordination and coherence**, the **UN Global Counter-Terrorism Coordination Compact**, which is a coordination framework bringing together 36 UN entities, plus INTERPOL and the WCO, was launched by the UN Secretary-General in December 2018. It operates through its Coordination Committee and 8 thematic Inter-Agency Working Groups, which were revitalized in April 2019, providing an “All-of-UN approach” to the system’s work on counter-terrorism and preventing and countering violent extremism, as conducive to terrorism.

The Office provides most of its **capacity-building** support to Member States through the **UN Counter-Terrorism Centre (UNOCT)**, which was established by an initial contribution of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia to the Counter-Terrorism Trust Fund in 2011. UNOCT has an Advisory Board composed of 21 Member States plus the European Union (EU) as a Guest Member.

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