

Eleventh Meeting of the Global Counter-Terrorism Coordination Compact Committee New York, 6 February 2025

*The Pact for the Future and the UN Global Counter-Terrorism Coordination Compact:
Strengthening Policy Interventions and Building Member State Capacities to Prevent and
Counter Terrorism*

Remarks of **Mr. Roberto Arbitrio**, UNODC, Working Group on Criminal Justice, Legal
Responses & Countering the Financing of Terrorism (CJLR-CFT)

- **Thanks** to UNOCT and USG Voronkov for convening this important event.
- **Thanks** to UNOCT and CTED for their excellent vice-chairmanship of the Working Group - the Working Group's success is due to their great support.
- The global terrorism landscape is evolving and terrorists are increasingly adapting their tactics, including with the abuse of new and emerging technologies, and forging new alliances with transnational organized crime groups.
- These challenges require our coordinated and innovative responses in line with the *Pact for the Future*.
- The *Pact* highlights elements that are crucial to our collective CT efforts – and the Working Group is uniquely positioned to advance many of these issues as they are all highly relevant to our mandate.
- The CJLR-CFT Working Group is already actively engaged on a number of these issues. For example:
 - Our Working Group - together with the Global Compact Working Group on Victims of Terrorism and Human Rights - continued to advance the development of a ***“Guidance Document on ensuring respect for human rights while taking measures to counter the financing of terrorism”*** - which should be published very soon.
 - In the context of **new technologies**, we welcome the adoption by the Counter-Terrorism Committee, in early January, of the **non-binding guiding principles for Member States on preventing, detecting, and disrupting the use of new and emerging financial technologies for terrorist purposes** (also known as “Algeria Guiding Principles”) developed with the support of CTED and in close cooperation with several Global Compact entities.
 - Under the criminal justice chapter of our Working Group, our vice-chair, CTED, is also engaged in developing guidance on **data protection frameworks relevant to the CT context**.

- Under the **CFT** component of our Working Group, our members regularly coordinate efforts, including through dedicated monthly coordination calls.
- Last year, these dedicated discussions focused on the 2023 CTED gaps assessment in implementing key CFT requirements of Security Council resolutions which resulted in an outcome document and actionable recommendations.
- We look forward to such discussions this year, with a particular focus on Africa.
- Members of the Working Group regularly and actively share expertise and good practices on the advancement of human rights-compliant and inclusive CT responses and benefit from contributions by civil society, GCTF partners and others.
- Our Working Group also offers platforms for multi-agency briefings and brainstorming sessions on our coordinated action to support Member States in the field.
- The aim of these briefings is to ensure the provision of targeted and coordinated technical assistance and capacity building, including on issues related to the collection and sharing of information by the military to support the investigation and prosecution of terrorist offences.
- Our Working Group stands ready to support the *Pact for the Future*, by contributing to a safer, more just, and more inclusive world, where security and human rights go hand in hand.
- Through our dedicated efforts, we can tackle the root causes of terrorism and strengthen resilience against radicalization.
- Thank you for your attention.