

<u>Statement by Under-Secretary-General Vladimir Voronkov on the adoption by the CARICOM Member States of a Regional Counter-Terrorism Strategy</u>

The Under-Secretary-General for Counter-Terrorism, Mr. Vladimir Voronkov, welcomes the adoption of a Regional Counter-Terrorism Strategy at the CARICOM Heads of Government meeting held in Haiti on 27 February. He notes that this strategy was developed with the strong support of the UN Office of Counter Terrorism and other counterpart UN agencies.

Mr. Vladimir Voronkov congratulates the leaders of the region for their vision and for taking this important step, which will be key to ensure the security of all citizens in the region and to help create conditions for sustainable peace and development.

Under-Secretary-General Voronkov expresses the readiness of the UN Office of Counter Terrorism to continue to assist CARICOM and its Member States, at their request, in the harmonized implementation of the Regional Strategy.

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