# **APRIL IN REVIEW 2020**



### **POLITICAL LEADERSHIP**

• USG Voronkov submitted to the UN Secretary-General the first annual report on the progress achieved by the Counter-Terrorism Coordination Compact to enhance collaboration and coherence of United Nations entities in their counter-terrorism and PCVE work, within their respective mandates, since its launch in December 2018.



- On 30 April, USG Voronkov and Ambassador Chergui, AU Commissioner for Peace and Security discussed the terrorist threat in Africa amidst COVID-19 and reiterated their commitment to work together to prevent and counter terrorism in the continent.
- The Special Adviser on Preparations for UN75, USG Hochschild, ASG and Executive Director of CTED, Ms. Coninsx, UN Ombudsman, Ms. Dodson, and NY Regional Ombudsman, Ms. Dagher, were invited to brief UNOCT staff on their work and areas of cooperation in the Office's townhall meetings held in April.

## HIGHLIGHTS

 In April, UNOCT received focal point nominations from 34 Member States for the Global Counter-Terrorism Coordination Platform, which was launched in March. Throughout the month, the Counter-Terrorism Compact Secretariat in UNOCT provided 20 live demonstrations of the Platform to over 120 users.



- On 21 April, UNOCT launched its global programme on countering terrorist threats against vulnerable targets, including religious sites, touristic venues and the threat posed by unmanned aerial systems. The programme will support the development of collaborative approaches (public-private partnership) to protect vulnerable targets and provide training to requesting Member States.
- UNOCT and the European Union (EU) successfully launched a Counter-Terrorism Partnership for Sudan to develop and enhance national counterterrorism capabilities during the country's ongoing political transition. The EU is funding the Partnership with USD 1 million.

# CAPACITY-BUILDING

### **UN COUNTER-TERRORISM CENTRE**





INDIVIDUALS TRAINED



- UNOCT-UNCCT, through its programme on Preventing and Responding to WMD/CBRN Terrorism, became an official provider of assistance to support the implementation of the UN Security Council Resolution 1540 (2004). It is now listed on the <u>1540 Committee website</u>.
- With the generous support of Spain and Switzerland, UNOCT finalized its Civil Society Engagement Strategy to ensure systematic, coherent engagement with a wide variety of civil society organizations at the global, regional and national levels. Activities include exploring partnerships, conducting structured consultations, and sharing knowledge and expertise, across all four pillars of the Global Counter-Terrorism Strategy with a focus on gender, youth, and human rights.

#### **SPECIAL PROJECTS & INNOVATION BRANCH**

- UNOCT, in collaboration with IPU and UNODC, started developing recommended legal provisions for law- and policy-makers to support and protect rights and needs of victims of terrorism. More model Policies and provisions, including on data and vulnerable targets' protection, will be produced within the IPU-UN Programme in the coming months.
- The UN Global Countering Terrorist Travel Programme (CT Travel) is developing an online training with a syllabus for Member States. It includes modules on the international legal framework, travel information-based detection operations against terrorists and serious criminals, carrier engagements, as well as use of the UN goTravel software to process and analyze passenger travel information.
- Following Cote d'Ivoire's confirmation, the CT Travel Programme is preparing a remote assessment of the country's current capability to implement UN Security Council Resolution 2178 (2014), 2396 (2017) and 2482 (2019). The programme is also working with 35 other Member States, and developing online solutions and other technology to ensure business continuity.
- After the visit to Manila from 27 February to 3 March, the UN CT Travel Programme provided the Republic of the Philippines with a complete roadmap to implement UNSC Resolutions 2178 (2014), 2396 (2019) and 2482 (2019) by building their new Passenger Information Units, detection capabilities against terrorists and serious criminals using travel information (i.e. API/PNR), information exchange, and international databases.

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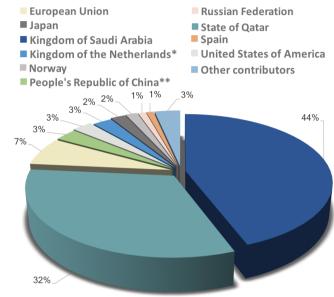
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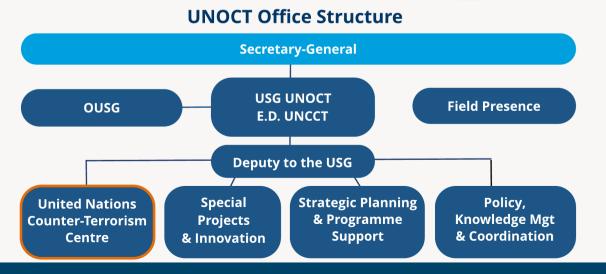
#### **OFFICE OF COUNTER-TERRORISM** UN Counter-Terrorism Centre (UNCCT)

### **TOP CONTRIBUTORS TO UNOCT**

UNOCT cumulative pledges since inception of the Trust Fund for Counter Terrorism and from other funds to date, amount to \$248.7 million, out of which \$165.8 million has been received from 31 donors. Overall the top donors to date are:



\* The Netherlands also provided in-kind contribution valued at \$11.5million in 2018. \*\* Allocation from the UN Sub-Fund for Peace and Security of EOSG



#### **UN GLOBAL COUNTER-TERRORISM STRAEGY**

Pillar I Addressing the condition conducive to the spread of terrorism	Pillar II Preventing and combating terrorism
Pillar III Building States' capacity and strengthen 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 counterterrorism 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 counterterrorism 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 which Compact, is а coordination framework bringing together 43 entities 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 (UNCCT), which was established by an initial contribution of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia to the Counter-Terrorism Trust Fund in 2011. UNCCT has an Advisory Board composed of 21 Member States plus the European Union (EU) as a Guest Member.

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