The UN held its Second Counter-Terrorism Week in a hybrid format from 21-30 June. Besides the General Assembly’s seventh review and debate of the UN Global Counter-Terrorism Strategy, UNOCT organized the Second UN High-Level Conference of Heads of Counter-Terrorism Agencies of Member State and numerous side events. Over 2,100 participants from 147 Member States, 28 international and regional organizations, 88 civil society and private sector organizations, and 38 UN entities took part in the conference’s 13 sessions featuring 85 chairs and panellists and another 75 speakers from governments, organizations and civil society.

The 36 side events including 19 events organized or co-organized by the Office, brought together 10,000 participants from Member States, international and regional organizations, UN entities, civil society, academic, think tanks and the private sector, and received an additional 15,000 views on UN WebTV.

On 30 June, the General Assembly adopted by consensus resolution 75/291 on the seventh review of the UN Global Counter-Terrorism Strategy. UNOCT served as substantive secretariat for the review process, supporting the co-facilitators and consultations from March to until the conclusion of the General Assembly debate on 7 July.

- UNOCT signed memoranda of understanding (MoUs) with the Republic of Côte d’Ivoire and Republic of Botswana, formally establishing those countries as beneficiaries of the UN Countering Terrorist Travel Programme. The MoUs allow the UN to help these countries enhance their capabilities to detect and interdict known and suspected terrorists using passenger data, in compliance with relevant Security Council resolutions, international standards and human rights principles. (3 and 10 June)

- UNOCT and the Shura Council of the State of Qatar launched the UNOCT Programme Office on Parliamentary Engagement in Preventing and Countering Terrorism in Doha, designed to foster collaboration with parliamentarians and multilateral parliamentary assemblies to address the scourge of terrorism. The Programme Office will coordinate its activities with UN entities, multilateral parliamentary assemblies, regional and international organizations, civil society, research and academic institutions. (16 June)

- The Global Programme on Countering Terrorist Threats against Vulnerable Targets held its second International Expert Group Meeting, focusing on addressing threats against urban centres and touristic venues. (15-16 June)

UNOCT Office Structure
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UNOCT cumulative pledges since inception of the Trust Fund for Counter Terrorism and from other funds to date, amount to $273.7 million, out of which $206.4 million has been received from 34 donors. Overall, the top donors to date are:

- Saudi Arabia
- Qatar
- European Union
- EOSG PDF funds (China)*
- United States of America
- Netherlands**
- Japan
- Norway
- Canada
- Russia
- Other contributors

### Top Contributors to UNOCT

UNOCT, CTED and UNODC, as co-chairs of the Resource Mobilization and Monitoring and Evaluation Working Group of the UN Global Counter-Terrorism Coordination Compact, launched the 2021-2022 United Nations Multi-Year Appeal for Counter-Terrorism – an ‘all-of-UN’ fundraising platform to secure sustainable, predictable and diversified funding for CT/PCVE projects implemented by CT Compact entities. (29 June)

### UNOCT and the Kingdom of Morocco

inaugurated the UNOCT Programme Office in Rabat for Counter-Terrorism and Training in Africa. The Rabat Office will serve as a training hub to build counter-terrorism capacities and cooperation in Africa, particularly in West Africa and the Sahel. It will help enhance counter-terrorism knowledge, skills and tools of law enforcement and border security officers and promote regional counter-terrorism cooperation and information sharing. (24 June)

### Capacity Building

#### UN Counter-Terrorism Centre (UNCCT)

**UNCCT, in collaboration with CTED**, with funding from Japan, organized a virtual workshop for the Maldives with government officials from criminal justice, customs, financial intelligence and defence bodies on tools and techniques to investigate and counter the use of the Internet and other technologies for terrorist purposes. Discussions focused on trends in the misuse of new technologies such as cryptocurrencies, social media and the dark web. (2, 3 and 8 June)

**UNCCT, with CTED, OHCHR and UNICRI**, with funding from Japan, delivered a virtual training to the Philippines, attended by officials from law enforcement, intelligence and security, as well as national human rights and communications bodies, on reinforcing human rights mainstreaming when countering the misuse of the Internet through online investigations and strategic communications. (16-18 June)

**UNCCT, in collaboration with Kenya**, provided a four-day training programme for Kenyan law enforcement, intelligence, public health officials and academics involved in CBRN response. The training provided an overview of the bioterrorism threat and the role of law enforcement and other agencies in responding to serious public health emergencies requiring the implementation of containment strategies. (21-24 June)

**Special Projects & Innovation Branch (SPIB)**

The UN Countering Terrorist Travel Programme held its second virtual regional training course with participants from the CARICOM region on the collection and use of passenger data to counter terrorist travel (7-11 June). The foundational course for Norway on Advance Passenger Information (API) and Passenger Name Record (PNR) data also took place. (9-16 June)

**The Global Programme** on the Security of Major Sporting Events, and Promotion of Sport and its Values as a Tool to Prevent Violent Extremism, together with the Inter-American Committee on Terrorism (CICTE) of the Organization of American States (OAS), delivered the sixth and final training to Costa Rica and El Salvador on security planning for Major Sporting Events. Participants reviewed case studies to utilize the skills learned from previous trainings in real-life scenarios. (24 June)

### UNOCT & SPIB: January-June 2021

- **3,243** individuals trained
- **56** workshops organized
- **103** expert meetings held

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