

Concept Note

7 September 2021

LAUNCH EVENT OF THE THREAT ASSESSMENT MODELS (TAM) PROGRAMME

The United Nations Office of Counter-Terrorism (UNOCT) invites Member States and relevant international organizations to participate in the virtual launch event of the Threat Assessment Models (TAM) Programme

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WHEN | 7 SEPTEMBER 2021 08:30 - 10:15 a.m. EST

ABOUT THE THREAT ASSESSMENT MODELS PROGRAMME

Civil aviation, a critical component of national infrastructure and at the core of the global economy, remains an attractive target for terrorist groups that seek to attack with the aim of causing substantial loss of life, economic damage and disruption to connectivity between States. This means that Member States require dynamic, forward-facing aviation security strategies and measures that keep pace with the ever-evolving threat picture. To ensure successful implementation, Member States must also have a robust risk management framework – at the root of which are threat assessments for aviation security.

Led by the United Nations Office of Counter-Terrorism (UNOCT), through an "All-of-UN" approach that integrates expertise from the Counter-Terrorism Executive Directorate (CTED), International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO), International Criminal Police Organization (INTERPOL), and the United Nations Office of Drugs and Crime (UNODC), the Threat Assessment Models (TAM) Programme provides beneficiaries with practical tools to strengthen interagency cooperation and information exchange on aviation security threats. These tools contribute to enhancing Member States' capacities to align aviation security countermeasures with the local threat picture.

This year marks the 20th anniversary of the 9/11 attacks, which triggered the landmark antiterrorism United Nations Security Council resolution 1373. However, terrorist organizations continue to target aircraft and airports around the world, leading to calls for greater cooperation on aviation security. In 2016, the United Nations Security Council adopted its first-ever resolution (2309) relating to aviation security, which stressed the need for greater national cooperation on matters of aviation security. The TAM Programme provides support to advance these calls for action, in particular, emphasizing the role of threat information as a tool to inform aviation security decision-making. The Programme develops and delivers practical counter-terrorism-related tools to Member States to safeguard critical infrastructure and implement international aviation security requirements.

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EVENT HIGHLIGHTS

- Overview of the TAM Programme
- Key Elements for Interagency Cooperation and Information Sharing
- Global Best Practices Experts Share their Experiences
- Models for Interagency Coordination
- United Nations-Developed Tools to Support Member States

EXPERT CONTRIBUTIONS

The Programme Launch will include a diverse set of speakers and experts from organizations including: the African Union, CTED, the Government of Botswana, the Government of the United States, ICAO, INTERPOL, the Southern African Development Community (SADC), UNOCT, and UNODC. It will also include representatives from Member States in target regions.

OBJECTIVES

- Raise awareness on United Nations programming designed to support counter-terrorism/aviation security priorities;
- Discuss the importance of national coordination on matters of aviation security including threat assessments for aviation security decision-making;
- Share best practices and lessons learned since the 9/11 attacks that can be applied within an aviation security context;
- Highlight the TAM Programme which offers an innovative approach and practical tools to support Member States; and
- Preview upcoming activities planned for both regional and national audiences.

PARTICIPATION

The Launch Event is scheduled for Tuesday, 7 September 2021 from 08:30 – 10:15 am EST, and will be held virtually. The logistical details are forthcoming and will be shared in due course.

The event will be of interest to Member States, including government officials and law enforcement personnel responsible for national risk management programming supporting counter-terrorism and aviation security operations.

The event also targets experts and practitioners in the field of countering terrorist threats to civil aviation, including those within the United Nations System, International and Regional Security Organizations, Private Sector, Civil Society Organizations, and Academia.

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	AGENDA
() 08:30	Opening Remarks
	 Mr. Vladimir Voronkov, Under-Secretary-General, United Nations Office of Counter-Terrorism (UNOCT) H.E. Ambassador Bankole Adeoye, African Union Commissioner for Political Affairs, Peace and Security H.E. Mr. Collen V. Kelapile, Ambassador and Permanent Representative of the Republic of Botswana
() 08:45	Threat Assessment Models (TAM) Programme Video
() 08:50	Global Context, Programmatic Relevance, and the Journey Ahead Moderator: Ms. Christine Bradley, Chief, Counter-Terrorist Travel Section, UNOCT
	 Ms. Rachel Manis, Programme Management Officer, Addressing Counter-Terrorism in Aviation Security, UNOCT Mr. Sylvain Lefoyer, Deputy Director Aviation Security and Facilitation, Air Transport Bureau, ICAO Ms. Fernanda Lombardi, Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice Officer, Section Chief (OiC) of Implementation Support Section III, UNODC Mr. Greg Hinds, Counter-Terrorism Director, INTERPOL
() 09:25	Interagency Cooperation Tools – 20 Years After 9/11 Moderator: Counter-Terrorism Committee Executive Directorate (CTED)
	 Mr. Craig Lynes, Deputy Assistant Administrator, International Operations, U.S. Transportation Security Administration Advocate Ernest Mosate, Director-General, Office of Counter-Terrorism, Analysis and Fusion Agency, Government of Botswana Mr. Nigel Lazarus, Fusion Cells Programme, UNOCT
() 09:55	Q&A
() 10:05	Sneak Preview: First Regional Workshop
	 Ms. Thanyani Gumede, Senior Officer Police/SARPCCO, Southern African Development Community
() 10:10	Concluding Remarks by Dr. Raffi Gregorian, Deputy Under-Secretary-General, UNOCT

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