United Nations Global COUNTER-TERRORISM Coordination Compact

Ninth United Nations Global Counter-Terrorism Coordination Compact Committee Meeting

PRESS RELEASE

Secretary-General Guterres opens the 9th United Nations Global Counter-Terrorism Compact Coordination Committee focused on Evidence-Based and Data-Centric Responses to Terrorism Threats

New York, 25 January 2023 – The <u>United Nations Global Counter-Terrorism Coordination Compact</u> (Counter-Terrorism Compact) began its ninth Coordination Committee meeting under the theme "The Changing Counter-Terrorism Landscape and Evidence-Based/Data-Centric Responses to the Threat". The two-day event opened with a strategic discussion on how to advance global "data action" and achieve better results in preventing and countering terrorism, in line with the United Nations Global Counter-Terrorism Strategy, the Secretary-General's Data Strategy, and the New Agenda for Peace.

For the first time, representatives from civil society organizations, the private sector, as well as the Global Counterterrorism Forum participated in a meeting of the Counter-Terrorism Compact, alongside heads and representatives from 33 Counter-Terrorism Compact entities.

In his opening remarks, **United Nations Secretary-General Mr. António Guterres** <u>stressed</u> that "We need to place data-driven tools and strategies at the heart of our approach to building peace and security — including counter-terrorism efforts." He also called on the Compact entities and its working groups "to continue building close ties to Member States and other partners to gather, analyze and deploy data for insight, impact and integrity."

Mr. Vladimir Voronkov, Under-Secretary-General for Counter-Terrorism and Chair of the Counter-Terrorism Compact Coordination Committee, <u>highlighted</u> that "Now more than ever, evidence-based and data-centric approaches are paramount to confront the terrorist threat with an effective response". Such responses, he added "are also a precondition for devising and implementing effective, sustainable and human rightscompliant efforts aimed at preventing and countering this threat". The Permanent Representatives of Canada and Tunisia addressed the thematic discussion in their capacity as co-facilitators of the upcoming eighth biennial review of the United Nations Global Counter-Terrorism Strategy, followed by remarks from regional organizations, civil society, the private sector, and the Heads of Counter-Terrorism Compact entities.

The Counter-Terrorism Compact meeting continues tomorrow with an analysis by Google on threats and trends in the cyber environment and the responsible use of data, as well as progress updates and thematic priorities of Counter-Terrorism Compact entities and its working groups.

Launched by the Secretary-General in 2018, the Counter-Terrorism Compact is the largest coordination framework within the United Nations system. It comprises 45 UN and non-UN entities.

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