THE LARGEST UN COUNTER-TERRORISM FRAMEWORK EXPLAINED

New York 2022
“Since its launch, the Compact has demonstrated a fundamental truth. Countering and defeating terrorism depends on collaboration”.

Mr. António Guterres, United Nations Secretary-General

“The Compact plays a critical role in fostering coordination and coherence among Member States, United Nations entities and other partners in counter-terrorism”.

Mr. Vladimir Voronkov, Under-Secretary-General of UNOCT
The United Nations Global Counter-Terrorism Coordination Compact was launched by Secretary-General António Guterres in February 2018 to strengthen the coordination of UN counter-terrorism efforts and promote an ‘all-of-UN’ approach in counter-terrorism.

The Counter-Terrorism Compact is the largest inter-agency framework across the three pillars of work of the United Nations: peace and security, sustainable development, and human rights. It currently consists of 46 UN and non-UN entities.

It is the primary institutional vehicle for the coordination and coherence of UN counter-terrorism efforts, and provides support to Member States in their implementation of the United Nations Global Counter-Terrorism Strategy (UN GCTS).

The Under-Secretary-General for Counter-Terrorism, Mr. Vladimir Voronkov, chairs the Counter-Terrorism Compact Coordination Committee, which comprises the representatives of all Counter-Terrorism Compact entities, as well as the Chairs & Vice-Chairs of its eight Working Groups.

The Policy, Knowledge Management and Coordination Branch (PKMCB) of the United Nations Office of Counter-Terrorism (UNOCT) serves as the Secretariat of the Counter-Terrorism Compact and works together with all its entities to counter terrorism and prevent the spread of violent extremism.
GLOBAL COUNTER-TERRORISM STRATEGY IMPLEMENTATION OVERARCHING PRIORITIES

- Enhance Coordination & Coherence
- Strengthen Engagement with Member States
- Promote & Integrate Human Rights, Gender and Rule of Law
- Coordinate joint resource mobilization and programme evaluation
- Strengthen Partnerships and Regional Cooperation; Engage with CSOs, Academia, Private Sector
COUNTER-TERRORISM COMPACT ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE

Global Compact Coordination Committee
Chaired by Under-Secretary-General Voronkov

Biennial Joint Program of Work

Eight thematic inter-agency working groups

46 Members and Observers

Compact Secretariat (PKMCS-UNOCT)

Terms of Reference

Work Plans
Photo/UNOCT: United Nations Secretary-General Mr. António Guterres and Under-Secretary-General for Counter-Terrorism Mr. Vladimir Voronkov at the Eighth Meeting of the United Nations Global Counter-Terrorism Coordination Compact Committee (Coordination Committee) on 8 June 2022 in New York.
COUNTER-TERRORISM COMPACT IN ACTION

Joint projects seed-funded by UNOCT to incentivize ‘all-of-United Nations’ efforts, on gender, PCVE, evaluation, human rights, technology and security

Meetings of the eight inter-agency Compact Working Groups (2019 – mid 2022)

Principal-level meetings since the Compact was founded in February 2018
The Counter-Terrorism Compact brings together 46 entities, as members or observers.

Each entity participates in the Counter-Terrorism Compact consistent with its own mandate to support the implementation of the UN Global Counter-Terrorism Strategy and other relevant resolutions of the General Assembly and the Security Council.
### 46 COMPACT ENTITIES

- 1267 Committee Monitoring Team
- 1540 Committee Expert Group
- Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty Organization (CTBTO)
- Counter-Terrorism Committee Executive Directorate (CTED)
- Department or Safety and Security (DSS)
- Department of Peace Operations (DPO)
- Department of Political and Peacebuilding Affairs (DPPA)
- Department of Global Communications (DGC)
- Executive Office of the Secretary-General Rule of Law Unit (EOSG RoL)
- Financial Action Task Force (FATF)
- International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO)
- International Criminal Police Organization (INTERPOL)
- International Labor Organization (ILO)
- International Maritime Organization (IMO)
- Office of Disarmament Affairs (ODA)
- Office of Information and Communications Technology (OICT)
- Office of Legal Affairs (OLA)
- Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR)
- Office of the Secretary-General's Envoy on Youth
- Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (OPCW)
- Special Adviser on the Prevention of Genocide
- Special Rapporteur on the Promotion and Protection of Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms while Countering Terrorism
- Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Sexual Violence in Conflict (SRSG-SVC)
- Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Violence Against Children (SRSG-VAC)
- United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN Women)
46 COMPACT ENTITIES

- United Nations Alliance of Civilizations (UNAOC)
- United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)
- United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO)
- United Nations Interregional Crime and Justice Research Institute (UNICRI)
- United Nations Institute for Disarmament Research (UNIDIR)
- United Nations Investigative Team to Promote Accountability for Crimes Committed by Da’esh (UNITAD)
- United Nations Office of Counter-Terrorism (UNOCT)
- United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC)
- United Nations Office of the Special Adviser on Africa (UNOSAA)
- Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Children and Armed Conflict (SRSG CAAC)
- World Customs Organization (WCO)
- World Health Organization (WHO)
- United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR)
- United Nations System Staff College (UNSSC)

- Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA)
- International Monetary Fund (IMF)
- International Organization for Migration (IOM)
- Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU)
- United Nations Children’s Fund (UNICEF)
- United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR)
- United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA)
NEW MEMBERS

UNITAD

FATF
UNITAD joined the Compact in April 2022. It is an investigative team, established following the adoption of Security Council resolution 2379 (2017) and is headed by a Special Adviser, to support domestic efforts to hold Da’esh members accountable by collecting, preserving and storing evidence of acts that may amount to war crimes, crimes against humanity and genocide committed in Iraq.
NEW MEMBERS

The FATF joined the Compact in April 2022. The FATF is an inter-governmental global money laundering and terrorist financing watchdog, which sets international standards to prevent these illegal activities. The FATF works to generate the political will for national legislative and regulatory reforms, and brings together over 200 countries and jurisdictions committed to their implementation.

Under Secretary-General for Counter-Terrorism Mr. Vladimir Voronkov with Dr. Marcus Pleyer, President of the FATF
ABOUT THE PLATFORM

UNOCT and the Office of Information and Communications Technology (OICT), with the financial support of the State of Qatar, have developed the UN Global Counter-Terrorism Coordination Platform as a user-friendly, password-protected, digital gateway for:

- One-stop-shop for secure and efficient coordination and information sharing within the UN system, Member States and regional organizations
- Joint, multi-stakeholder collaboration among the UN Global Counter-Terrorism Coordination Compact entities
- Greater visibility of UN counter-terrorism efforts in a digital environment
KEY FUNCTIONALITIES & TOOLS

- Global Networking
- Searchable Contact Directory
- Thematic Resource Library
- Joint Calendar
- Multi-stakeholder Collaboration
- Dedicated Working Group Spaces
- Joint Planning and Prioritization
- Matrix of UN Projects on preventing and countering terrorism
- CTED Country Assessments and Technical Assistance (TA) Recommendations
- Joint Resource Mobilization: United Nations Multi-Year Appeal for Counter-Terrorism

For Platform access, contact the Counter-Terrorism Compact Secretariat in UNOCT at: globalctcompact-committee@un.org
2021-2022 United Nations Multi-Year Appeal for Counter-Terrorism

52
Total projects

For more information please visit: www.un.org/counterterrorism/the-appeal
ENHANCED COOPERATION WITH MEMBER STATES

- 135 Member States have assigned focal points for the Compact’s Coordination Platform
- The Compact provides a forum for Member States to showcase their CT-related efforts to the Compact working groups and request for tailored support from relevant Compact entities
- A dedicated page for Member States on the Coordination Platform is being developed to facilitate the sharing of country-specific information on CT priorities, challenges and good practices

ENHANCED ENGAGEMENT WITH REGIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

10 Regional Organizations have recently nominated their focal points to the Platform.
UN GLOBAL COUNTER-TERRORISM STRATEGY

4 pillars

8 Working groups under the 4 pillars
4 PILLARS OF THE UN GLOBAL COUNTER-TERRORISM STRATEGY

The UN Global Counter-Terrorism Strategy in the form of a General Assembly resolution and an annexed Plan of Action (A/RES/60/288) is composed of four pillars, namely:

- **Pillar I**: Measures to address the conditions conducive to the spread of terrorism
- **Pillar II**: Measures to prevent and combat terrorism
- **Pillar III**: Measures to build States’ capacity to prevent and combat terrorism and to strengthen the role of the United Nations system in this regard
- **Pillar IV**: Measures to ensure respect for human rights for all and the rule of law as the fundamental basis of the fight against terrorism
THE 8 COMPACT WORKING GROUPS UNDER THE FOUR PILLARS OF THE UN GCTS

1. Preventing and countering violent extremism conducive to terrorism
   Chair: UNOCT
   Vice-Chairs: UNAOC, UNDP, UNESCO

2. Border management and law enforcement relating to counter-terrorism
   Chair: CTED / Co-Chair: WCO /
   Vice-Chairs: INTERPOL, UNODC

3. Emerging threats and critical infrastructure protection
   Chair: INTERPOL
   Vice-Chairs: UNODA, UNICRI, OPCW

4. Criminal justice, legal responses, and countering the financing of terrorism
   Chair: UNODC
   Vice-Chairs: CTED, UNOCT

5. Resource mobilization, monitoring, and evaluation
   Chair: UNOCT / Co-Chairs: CTED, UNODC

6. National and Regional counter-terrorism strategies
   Chair: CTED
   Vice-Chair: UNOCT

7. Promoting and protecting human rights and the rule of law while countering terrorism and supporting victims of terrorism
   Chair: OHCHR
   Vice-Chair: UNOCT

8. Adopting a gender-sensitive approach to preventing and countering violent extremism
   Chair: UN Women
   Vice-Chair: CTED

GLOBAL COUNTER-TERRORISM STRATEGY
1. Working Group on Preventing and Countering Violent Extremism Conducive to Terrorism

Chair

Vice-Chairs

Objective

To promote coordination and coherence to support Member States to prevent and counter violent extremism conducive to terrorism, with respect for human rights and the rule of law as the fundamental basis, in line with international law, including international human rights law, international humanitarian law and international refugee law, and with an essential focus on gender equality and youth empowerment.

Membership

All Counter-Terrorism Compact entities are members or observers of the Working Group
2. Working Group on Border Management and Law Enforcement Relating to Counter-Terrorism

Chair

Co-Chair

Vice-Chairs

UNODC

INTERPOL

Objectives

To promote coordination and coherence to support Member States in implementing counter-terrorism measures in the area of border management and law enforcement, with respect for human rights and the rule of law as the fundamental basis, and in line with international law, including international human rights law, international humanitarian law and international refugee law.

Membership

- 1267 Monitoring Team
- 1540 Committee Group of Experts
- DPO
- DPPA
- ICAO
- IMO
- OHCHR
- OLA
- OPCW
- Special Rapporteur on Human Rights while CT

Observers

- UNDP
- UNICRI
- UNIDIR
- UNITAR
- UNOCT
- UNODA
- WHO

- DESA
- IOM
- UNHCR
- UNICEF
3. Working Group on Emerging Threats and Critical Infrastructure Protection

Chair
INTERPOL

Vice-Chairs
UNODA
UNICEF
OPCW

Objective
To promote coordination and coherence to support Member States to prevent and respond to emerging terrorist threats, including those related to the misuse of chemical, biological, nuclear and radiological materials, and to enhance the protection of critical infrastructure, including infrastructure housing these materials, against terrorist attacks, with respect for human rights and the rule of law as the fundamental basis, in line with international law, including international human rights law, international humanitarian law and international refugee law.

Membership
- 1267 Monitoring Team
- 1540 Committee Group of Experts
- CTBTO
- CTED
- DGC
- DPO
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- DSS
- ICAO
- IMO
- OHCHR
- OLA
- Special Rapporteur on Human Rights while CT
- UNDP
- UNESCO
- UNIDIR
- UNITAD
- UNITAR
- UNOCT
- UNODC
- WCO
- WHO

Observers
- IAEA (ad-hoc)
- IPU
- OCHA
4. Working Group on Criminal Justice, Legal Responses & Countering the Financing of Terrorism

**Chair**
- UNODC (United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime)

**Vice-Chairs**
- UN Security Council Counter-Terrorism Committee Executive Directorate (CTED)
- UN Office of Counter-Terrorism

**Objective**
To promote coordination and coherence to reinforce the critical role of the criminal justice sector and its efforts in countering the financing of terrorism in line with the universal legal framework against terrorism, especially the 19 international conventions and protocols related to terrorism, relevant General Assembly and Security Council resolutions, as well as international law, including international human rights law, international humanitarian law and international refugee law.

**Membership**
- 1267 Monitoring Team
- DPO
- DPPA
- EOSG Rule of Law Unit
- FATF
- INTERPOL
- OHCHR
- OLA
- SRSG on Sexual Violence in Conflict
- Special Adviser on the Prevention of Genocide
- Special Rapporteur on Human Rights while CT
- UNDP
- UNESCO
- UNICRI
- UNITAD
- UNITAR
- WCO

**Observers**
- IPU
- OCHA
- UNICEF
5. Working Group on Resource Mobilization, Monitoring and Evaluation

Chair
UNITED NATIONS OFFICE OF COUNTER-TERRORISM

Co-Chairs
UNITED NATIONS SECURITY COUNCIL COUNTER-TERRORISM COMMITTEE EXECUTIVE DIRECTORATE (CTED)

UNODC
United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime

Objective
To support the sharing of best practices on delivering the commitment of the Counter-Terrorism Compact through the development of a common monitoring and evaluation framework, as well as accompanying tools, and the provision of guidance and contributing to coordinated resource mobilization efforts by all Counter-Terrorism Compact entities, in particular through a consolidated Multi-Year Appeal.

Membership
All Counter-Terrorism Compact entities are members or observers of the Working Group
6. Working Group on National and Regional Counter-Terrorism Strategies

Co-Chairs

Objectives

- To support Member States and regional organizations in developing their counter-terrorism strategies that reflect all four Pillars of the UN Global Counter-Terrorism Strategy and in accordance with relevant General Assembly and Security Council resolutions.

- To ensure that these strategies aim to counter terrorism in a holistic, comprehensive and integrated manner, in line with international law, including international human rights law, international humanitarian law and international refugee law, while also ensuring gender equality and youth empowerment through engagement with civil society, academia, think tanks and the private sector.

Membership

All Counter-Terrorism Compact entities are members or observers of the Working Group
7. Working Group on Protecting and Promoting Human Rights, the Rule of Law & Supporting Victims of Terrorism

**Objectives**

- To support Member States to ensure respect for human rights and the rule of law in the fight against terrorism, and to promote and protect the rights of victims of terrorism;
- To provide guidance to Member States to ensure that their counter-terrorism measures are in accordance with their obligations under international humanitarian law;
- To support Member States and other Working Groups in addressing gaps through mainstreaming human rights.

**Membership**

- 1267 Monitoring Team
- CTED
- DGC
- DPO
- DPPA
- EOSG Rule of Law Unit
- ICAO
- IMO
- INTERPOL
- OLA
- Special Adviser on the Prevention of Genocide
- Special Rapporteur on Human Rights while CT
- SRSG for Children and Armed Conflict

**Observers**

- IOM
- IPU
- OCHA
- UNHCR
- UNODC
- UN Women
- UN Women
8. Working Group on Adopting a Gender Sensitive Approach to Preventing and Countering Terrorism

Objective

To support gender mainstreaming, promote gender equality, and integrate the women, peace, and security agenda within the framework of the Global Counter-Terrorism Coordination Compact.

Membership

- DPO
- DPPA
- EOSG Rule of Law Unit
- INTERPOL
- OHCHR
- Special Adviser on the Prevention of Genocide
- Special Rapporteur on Human Rights while CT
- SRSG on Sexual Violence in Conflict
- SRSG on Violence Against Children
- UNDP
- UNESCO
- UNICRI
- UNITAD
- UNITAR
- UNOCT
- UNODA
- UNODC
- UNSSC

Observers

- IOM
- IPU
- UNHCR
The Counter-Terrorism Compact Secretariat produces bi-monthly and annual Newsletters that highlight key activities of the 46 Compact entities, notably:

- Engagement with Member States
- Cooperation with regional organizations
- Joint and coordinated planning and resource mobilization through the UN Multi-Year Appeal for Counter-Terrorism

To see the published newsletters:
The Annual Report of the Counter-Terrorism Compact draws on the progress reports submitted by the eight Working Groups to the Chair of the Coordination Committee, and outlines key accomplishments under three main areas:

- Consolidation of the inter-agency framework
- Strategic leadership on counter-terrorism
- Capacity-building support to Member States

To see the full report: www.un.org/counterterrorism/global-ct-compact
PARTNERSHIP WITH GLOBAL COUNTERTERRORISM FORUM

The close and mutually reinforcing relationship between the Global Counterterrorism Forum (GCTF) and the Counter-Terrorism Compact continues to evolve.

Regular coordination meetings strengthen practical, structured cooperation and foster further coordination on priorities and programming. The GCTF invited Compact partners to co-lead initiatives to develop:

- The GCTF Good Practice Memorandum for the Implementation of Countering the Financing of Terrorism Measures While Safeguarding Civic Space [AR] [FR]; and
- The GCTF Counterterrorism Watchlisting Toolkit.

The GCTF is also contributing to the development of the UNOCT-led Gender and Identity Factors Platform for Preventing and Countering Violent Extremism.

The Working Groups of the Counter-Terrorism Compact and the GCTF recently developed a Joint Options Paper to enhance collaboration, including on topics such as the use of new and emerging technologies for terrorist purposes and gender mainstreaming in all counter-terrorism related activities.
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H.E. Ambassador Alya Ahmed Saif Al-Thani, the Permanent Representative of Qatar to the United Nations with Mr. Vladimir Voronkov, Under-Secretary-General of UNOCT

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