Counter-Terrorism Leadership

- The Coordination Committee of the UN Global Counter-Terrorism Coordination Compact adopted its Joint Programme of Work for 2019-2020. The Committee welcomed a new member, the UN System Staff College, and two new observers, UNICEF and IPU, bringing the total number of entities taking part in the Global Compact Taskforce to 41. (26 July, New York)
- UNOCT Senior Leadership participated in the International Labour Organization (ILO) and Switzerland event on “Jobs for Peace” to commemorate ILO’s 100th anniversary, and present UNOCT’s work on CPVE and youth, together with ILO in this context. (17 July, New York)
- USG Voronkov met with five young leaders from Egypt, Ghana, India, Kenya, and the Philippines. They shared their experiences, good practices and lessons learned from a grassroots perspective on CT/PVE related areas. (18 July, New York)
- USG Voronkov and IOM Director General, Mr. Antonio Vitorino discussed how to strengthen cooperation on border security management, information sharing and preventing violent extremism. (16 July, New York)

Highlights

- The African Regional Conference on the Prevention of Violent Extremism Conducive to Terrorism, hosted by Kenya and the UNOCT, was the largest ever meeting of African states on counter-terrorism. Almost 1500 delegates participated and 13 side events were held. The Conference, which was opened by the President of the Republic of Kenya and the UN Secretary-General, helped to mobilize international support for African counter-terrorism efforts, and served to strengthen the African peace and security architecture’s response to terrorism. (10-11 July, Nairobi)
- At the Quarterly Briefing to Member States, UNOCT and Global Compact Entities presented a comprehensive briefing on recent developments and activities, particularly highlighting the High-Level Conference in Kenya and plans for next year’s Counter-Terrorism Week. (25 July, New York)
- The UN Countering Terrorist Travel Programme, a flagship initiative of UNOCT, visited Iraq at the Government’s request for assistance. The Programme’s experts held discussions at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs with national security, intelligence, law enforcement and other officials on how the Programme assistance could be tailored to Iraq’s urgent needs. (22-24 July, Baghdad)

Capacity Building

UNOCT from January to July, 2019:

- 906 individuals trained in 38 workshops
- 170,775 views of the UN Victims of Terrorism Support Portal

Capacity-building highlights:

- UNOCT, supported by CTED, UK Charity Commission and Western Union, delivered a training workshop for 105 Sri Lankan government and private sector officials on best practices related to countering the financing of terrorism and protection of the non-profit sector from terrorist abuse. (3-4 July, Sri Lanka)
- UNOCT held a joint workshop for Indonesia, Malaysia and the Philippines in Tokyo, Japan, where participants discussed their national strategies for investigation and prosecution of terrorists using the Internet and Social Media. (11 July, Tokyo)
- UNOCT facilitated a regional training for border law enforcement authorities in the Dominican Republic. 45 in-class participants as well as more than 300 online participants from Latin America and the Caribbean attended the training. (8-12 July, Santo Domingo)
- UNOCT, supported by CTED, conducted a PVE through Strategic Communications workshop in Malaysia with the South East Asian Regional Centre for Counter Terrorism which focused on sharing models and lessons learned of PVE StratCom approaches. (24 July, Kuala Lumpur)

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UN Global CT Strategy

Pillar I
Addressing the conditions conducive to the spread of terrorism

Pillar II
Preventing and combating terrorism

Pillar III
Building States’ capacity and strengthening 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 counter-terrorism 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 counter-terrorism 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 Compact, which is a coordination framework bringing together 36 UN entities, plus INTERPOL and the WCO, 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.

Top Contributors to the Trust Fund

The Trust Fund for Counter-Terrorism has received $238.7 million in contributions and hard pledges as of July 2019, from 30 donors. Overall top donors to date:

- European Union
- United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
- United States of America
- Norway
- Russian Federation
- Kingdom of Saudi Arabia
- Spain
- State of Qatar
- Japan

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