Counter-Terrorism Leadership

- UNOCT, UNODC and IPU organized a regional conference for the Sahel region on parliamentary engagement in addressing terrorism and conditions conducive to terrorism (12-14 June, Niamey).

- Mr. Voronkov signed a cooperation agreement with the International Centre for Sport Security on the protection of vulnerable targets in major sporting events and the prevention of violent extremism through sports (24 June, New York).

- "Protecting soft targets requires building strong partnerships between national and local institutions and the private sector", Mr. Voronkov emphasized at an open briefing of the UN Counter-Terrorism Committee (27 June, New York).

- Mr. Voronkov held high level consultations in the State of Israel and the People’s Republic of China at the invitation of the Governments to strengthen international counter-terrorism cooperation and ensure the balanced implementation of all four pillars of the Global Counter-Terrorism Strategy.

- UNOCT and the Permanent Missions of Pakistan and Turkey organized an event on countering Terrorism and other acts of Violence based on Religion or Belief (24 June, New York).

Highlights

- The second high-level regional conference was organized by Mongolia, in collaboration with OSCE and UNOCT to promote effective, human-rights-compliant and gender-sensitive strategies and policies to prevent and counter extremism (20-21 June).

- UNOCT and the Permanent Mission of Kazakhstan organized a joint retreat on Synergies among Developing Countries for Achieving a World Free of Terrorism and Agenda 2030 (28 June).

Supporting Victims of Terrorism

- UNGA adopted by consensus the resolution A/RES/73/305 on supporting Victims of Terrorism (28 June).

- The Group of Friends of Victims of Terrorism, led by Spain and Afghanistan, was launched in the presence of the Secretary-General. Mr. Voronkov emphasized the need to put victims at the forefront of the international community’s CT and PVE work (25 June, New York).

- Mr. Voronkov met with young victims of terrorism from around the world and listened to their experiences and ideas on what the UN can do to better to support victims of terrorism and to counter and prevent terrorism (3 June, New York).

Capacity Building

- As Member States’ requests for assistance increase, so does UNCT capacity-building:

- Yearly Implementation Volume

- **UNCT from January to June, 2019:**
  - 726 individuals trained in 32 workshops
  - 6 expert meetings, 7 technical missions, 3 regional events and 7 outreach events

Capacity-building highlights:

- CT Travel Programme undertook a country visit to Azerbaijan from 24 to 25 June, following the first assessment mission to Sri Lanka in May. 43 Member States have indicated interest in the Programme. Upcoming initiatives include creating a global standby team of PNR experts institutionalizing passenger information units and regional cooperative platforms.

- UNCT facilitated a ‘PVE through Strategic Communications’ workshop. A Strategic Communications Plan for the Philippines was finalized in support of the launch and implementation of their National Action Plan to P/CVE (17-18 June, Manila).

- UNCT, the Moscow State Lomonosov University, Rofilmonitoring and the EAG jointly organized a regional conference on strengthening joint efforts in the fight against terrorism and its financing (20-21 June, Moscow).

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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 (UNCT), which was established by an initial contribution of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia to the Counter-Terrorism Trust Fund in 2011. UNCT has an Advisory Board composed of 21 Member States plus the European Union (EU) as a Guest Member.