

KINGDOM OF CAMBODIA

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MEASURES TO ELIMINATE INTERNATIONAL TERRORISM

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Mr. Chairman,

- 1. First of all, allow me to warmly congratulate you upon your assumption as Chairman of the Sixth Committee. We are confident that under your leadership and guidance, the Committee will be able to carry out its work with great success.
- 2. My Delegation also wishes to align itself with the Statement made by the Permanent Representative of Lao People's Democratic Republic on behalf of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) on Agenda item 108 "Measures to eliminate international terrorism".

Mr. Chairman,

- 3. As the grave threat of extremist movements and the complex nature of international terrorism are exclusively widespread, the Royal Government of Cambodia is actively and keenly participating in the implementation of UNGA and Security Council resolutions, and strengthening its cooperation with all ASEAN countries and UN Member States as well as with UN Agencies.
- 4. Cambodia also welcomes the report of the Secretary General of the United Nations on Measures to eliminate international terrorism as contained in document A/70/211 dated 29 July 2015, reflecting the commitment of member States of the United Nations to combat international terrorism. We also appreciate the work and efforts made by relevant United Nations bodies, entities, and other international, regional and sub-regional organizations aimed at supporting, recognizing and protecting the rights of victims of terrorism in all its forms.
- 5. In 2014 Cambodia has strengthened its cooperation with information sharing especially with Vietnam, Laos, Thailand, Republic of Korea, China, Australia, the United States of America, Malaysia, and the Philippines. Cambodia has participated in regional and international forums on preventing and combating terrorism.
- 6. To date, Cambodia has ratified all important Conventions and Protocols of the United Nations and the ASEAN Convention on Counter-Terrorism. Moreover, to bolster our capacity to prevent and suppress terrorism and transnational crimes, my country has enacted a multitude of important laws and regulations including: the Criminal Code, Criminal Procedural Code, Law on Anti-Terrorism, Law on Anti-Money Laundering and Terrorism Financing, Law on Control of Arms, Explosives and Ammunitions, and Law on Drug Control.
- 7. On the basis of these legislations, regional and international treaties, Cambodia has achieved remarkable success in preventing and suppressing terrorism and transnational crimes. We are in the process of setting forth and promoting the "Safe-Village, Safe-Commune" policy which aims to encourage the active participation of villagers and civil society organizations, including political

parties, to ensure security and safety in villages and communes throughout the country.

- 8. Besides implementing reforms and building operational capacity of the National Police and other law enforcement agencies, the Royal Government of Cambodia has given much attention to inter-agency cooperation at the national level. Cambodia launched various national committees for an effective response to the threat of terrorism, namely the National Counter-Terrorism Committee, the National Authority for Preventing Chemical, Nuclear, Biological and Radioactive Explosives, the National Committee for Reform on Arms Control and the National Committee for Maritime Security. With these various national committees, we hope to share our best practices with other countries for successful prevention and suppression of international terrorism.
- 9. Capacity-building by all Member States is a core element of the global counter-terrorism effort. Cambodia has exclusively stepped-up to intensify support and extend cooperation with other United Nations Member States and related international agencies. We pledge to further enhance our coordination and coherence with the UN System.
- 10. With the efforts of Cambodia in the past, the Royal Government of Cambodia has continued to pay much attention in responding to threats of terrorism by setting out the following objectives: 1-Continue on information sharing with the regional and foreign countries; 2-Continue to follow up the situations on international terrorism, modus operandi, funding organized resources, as well as the terrorist activities; 3-Continue to strengthen on implementation of all the national legal instruments and international conventions, protocols that signed by Cambodia; 4-Strengthen and develop the cooperation on these issues and raise the public awareness knowledge about the threat of terrorism to the people in order to participate in prevention and suppression on terrorist activities.
- 11. Cambodia also requests the United Nations to expedite delivery of technical assistance in information-sharing measures to prevent and counter terrorism and strengthen the role of member-States to assist one another and providing training programs on prevention and combating terrorism within the ASEAN framework.
- 12. In conclusion, Mr. Chairman, I wish to reassure you that Cambodia will continue to effectively contribute to the UN efforts in countering terrorism and in supporting the implementation of the UN strategy. Ensuring international peace and security, is our common responsibility. Protecting the world free from fear, is our common duty!

I thank you, Mr. Chairman.