



Permanent Mission of the Islamic Republic of Iran to the United Nations

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The Permanent Mission of the Islamic Republic of Iran to the United Nations presents its compliments to the Office of Legal Affairs to the United Nations and, with reference to the latter's Note No. LA/COD/11/1 dated 5 January 2020 concerning the submission of the annual reports of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the Declaration on Measures to Eliminate International Terrorism, has the honor to state the following:

The Islamic Republic of Iran has made consistent and considerable efforts in the implementation of the above-mentioned Declaration in combatting terrorism and violent extremism which could be summarized into two facets spanning the internal and external fields. In the internal field, with the aim of updating and improving the efficiency in current laws and provisions, the Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran has approved an Amendment to the Countering Financing of Terrorism Act, taking into account the relevant international standards and practices. This amendment provides a sounder and efficient legal framework for countering terrorism and is of utmost practical utility in denying terrorists any resource to perpetrate or commit any egregious crimes. Moreover, according to Iranian criminal code, the Islamic Republic of Iran has accepted extradition based on bilateral and multilateral instruments as well as on a reciprocal basis in the absence of any legal instrument. In a similar vein, Iran according to bilateral security agreements has intensive security cooperation with most of its 15 neighboring countries.

While reaping the benefits of maintaining efficient legal frameworks, the efforts of the Islamic Republic of Iran have also led to the effective prevention of and combat against terrorist attempts at the regional and international levels. In this connection, the Islamic Republic of Iran, in line with its obligations under international law and relevant resolutions of the United Nations, has well demonstrated its dedication and unwavering resolve in combating terrorism. Evidently, the Islamic Republic of Iran has had a significant role in the fight against terrorism in the region, in particular in combating, neutralizing and eliminating the ISIS and other UN-designated terrorist groups in affected countries. In this context, the Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps (IRGC) has consistently and evidently been at the forefront in the fight against terrorism and, upon the official requests by the affected governments in the region, playing a determinative and decisive role in defeating terrorist groups such as Al-Qaeda, ISIS and Al-Nusra Front as well as other terrorist groups who have been financially and materially supported by certain countries in the region and beyond. The assassination of Martyr Soliemani-- the Commander of the Quds Force of the IRGC who had a pivotal role in defeating ISIS and was in Baghdad at the request of the Iraqi government-- is an obvious example of State terrorism and constitutes a gross violation of the fundamental principles of international law, including those stipulated in the Charter of the United Nations. The Islamic Republic of Iran reiterates once again its commitment to countering terrorism consistent



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with its international obligations and strongly condemns terrorism in all its forms and manifestations.

In light of the above, the Islamic Republic of Iran categorically rejects all of the unfounded and unsubstantiated allegations that have been made by Bahrain in its Letter No. 2007392E dated 9 June 2020 and calls upon the latter to implement its international obligations, including International Human Rights, through respect for the rule of law and due process in order to meet the legitimate demands of the Bahraini people. It is also imperative to preserve the non-politicized nature of discussions in the Sixth Committee and desist from the inclusion of baseless allegations which are contrary to the objectives of this agenda item in the United Nations.

The Permanent Mission of the Islamic Republic of Iran to the United Nations avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Office of Legal Affairs to the United Nations the assurances of its highest consideration.

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