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Statement by Cabo Verde

- 6th Committee – item 109 - measures to eliminate terrorism. -

Mr. Chair – thank you for giving me the floor

As this is the first time that the Cabo Verde Delegation has taken the floor, we would also like to congratulate you on your election to preside over the work of the 6th Committee during this period - 78 UNGA. We also take the opportunity to thank your predecessor, the Permanent Representative of Mozambique for his work.

Mr. Chair

Cabo Verde condemns terrorism in all its dimensions, and in all forms in which acts considered terrorism are carried out, including their financing, in our African region and anywhere in the world.

Mr. Chair

Cabo Verde is a peaceful country, but its geographical location is conducive to money laundering and terrorist financing. In 2022, the Ministry of Justice of Cabo Verde considered it important to start addressing this crime with university students so that they have knowledge and can understand why the State and the International Community have on their agendas the fight against terrorism and related crimes such as priority concern, and thus allow university students to acquire knowledge that aims to prepare them to combat this problem in a preventive way.

Mr. Chair

To make its contribution to the fight against this abhorrent crime, Cabo Verde cooperates with the international community, adhering to all international conventions adopted to combat terrorism and also in bilateral relations, it collaborates with States in the creation and implementation of measures aimed at combating terrorism. and its financing.



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Mr. Chair

To prevent and combat terrorism, Cabo Verde has a special law to combat terrorism, from 2013 (amended in 2016), of a preventive and repressive nature against terrorism and its financing. Furthermore, Cabo Verde is working to change laws in order to adapt a legal framework to the requirements of the Financial Action Group against Money Laundering and Terrorist Financing.

However, **Mr. Chair**, we consider that one of the fundamental measures to combat terrorism is the strengthening of cooperation in a common combat at a global level for the defense of humanity, strengthening diplomatic relations, joint strategies at bilateral, regional and global levels.

Mr. Chair

As we mentioned above, our geographical location is conducive to the practice of international crimes, it is a challenge for Cabo Verde because criminal organizations take advantage of our fragility and difficulty in monitoring, and we must have careful prevention to avoid terrorism in our country, but also prevent our territory from being used as a springboard for the practice of terrorism in our African region and/or in Europe and America.

To conclude, **Mr. Chair**, we appeal to all Member States: Let's strengthen our cooperation to combat terrorism and protect humanity.

Thank you!

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