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Mr. President,

Since this is the first time that my delegation is taking the floor, allow me to begin by congratulating you and the other members of the bureau on your election to lead this Committee's deliberations during this session.

Malawi takes note with appreciation the Secretary-General's report as contained in document no. A/78/221 which contains information, based on submissions from Governments and international organizations, on measures taken at the national and international levels.

Mr. President,

Malawi aligns itself with the statements delivered by the distinguished representative of Uganda on behalf of the African Group and one delivered by the distinguished representative of the Islamic Republic of Iran on behalf of the Non-Aligned Movement and wishes to make the following remarks in its national capacity.

Malawi joins other Member States in condemning terrorist acts committed wherever and by whosoever. There is no justification for terrorism

Terrorism is a menace that knows no borders and hence international cooperation is the key to deal with it effectively. As such Malawi believes that the Global Counter-Terrorism Strategy as reviewed from time to time forms a good basis for international cooperation.

Mr. President

At the national level, Malawi has developed a National Counter-Terrorism Strategy which will help in guiding the relevant institutions in their approach to counter-terrorism.

Technical Assistance is an important aspect in counter-terrorism and as such, Malawi is engaging the UNOCT to consider supporting Malawi in its fight against terrorism. In that regard, Malawi wishes to thank the UNOCT for its cooperation and looks forward to the continued engagement.

To this end, we align ourselves to measures that help combat terrorism, among whose interventions are, but not limited to:

- Building capacity to deter all forms of Terrorism;
- Domesticating the international law and committing to policy guidelines;
- Sharing of information and best practices;
- Suffocating illegal money flows that finance such acts; and
- Civic educating the citizens and adopting preventive strategies that stop attacks.

Mr. President

As State Party to various Treaties at the international and regional levels, Malawi sees value in pursuing the conclusion of the Comprehensive Convention on International Terrorism. International instruments help Member States to have a united approach to issues of concern. In that regard, Malawi supports the proposal to convene a High-Level Conference under the auspices of the United Nations to formulate an international response to terrorism in all its forms and manifestations.

There is more that unites us as the United Nations than divides us.

Thank you for your attention