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CTED Publishes Analytical Brief About The Prosecution of ISIL-associated Women

New York, 22 July 2020 – Today, the United Nations Security Council Counter-Terrorism Committee Executive Directorate (CTED) published a new Analytical Brief, [*The Prosecution of ISIL-associated Women*](#). Based on information collected through CTED’s engagement with Member States, its other partners, and through its own open-source research, this *Analytical Brief* traces the evolution of prosecutorial practice with regard to women who have returned from the conflict zone to their countries of origin. It identifies an urgent need to develop more gender-sensitive criminal justice responses, as well as alternative approaches to rehabilitation and reintegration outside the criminal justice system.

This *Analytical Brief* was prepared by CTED in accordance with Security Council resolution 2395 (2017), which directs CTED to conduct analytical work on emerging issues, trends and developments and to make its analytical products available throughout the United Nations system.

This *Analytical Brief* continues a series of CTED analytical products on the gender dimensions of return from terrorist groups, including the [*Trends Report on the Gender Dimensions of the Response to Returning Foreign Terrorist Fighters*](#) and the [*Analytical Brief on the Repatriation of ISIL-associated Women*](#).

CTED *Analytical Briefs* aim to provide the Security Council Counter-Terrorism Committee, United Nations agencies, and policymakers with a concise analysis of specific issues, trends and developments, as identified through CTED’s engagement with Member States on their implementation of the relevant Security Council resolutions. They also include relevant data gathered by CTED, including through engagement with its United Nations partners; international, regional and subregional organizations; civil society organizations; and members of the CTED Global Research Network (GRN).

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Background

Established by the Security Council, the **Counter-Terrorism Executive Directorate (CTED)** is a Special Political Mission of the United Nations, tasked with assisting the Security Council Counter-Terrorism Committee in monitoring the effective implementation of Security Council resolution 1373 (2001) and other relevant counter-terrorism resolutions. CTED conducts on site country assessments visits with Member States' approval to identify progress made and remaining challenges in addressing threats posed by terrorists to international peace and security. The findings of the assessment visit also constitute the basis for the concerned technical assistance and capacity-building projects. **Michèle Coninsx** was appointed Assistant Secretary-General (ASG) and Executive Director of the Counter-Terrorism Committee Executive Directorate (CTED) by United Nations Secretary-General António Guterres on 11 August 2017.

The **Counter-Terrorism Committee (CTC)** was established by Security Council resolution 1373 (2001), which was adopted unanimously on 28 September 2001 in the wake of the 11 September terrorist attacks in the United States. The Committee, comprising all 15 Security Council members, was tasked with monitoring implementation of resolution 1373 (2001), which requested countries to implement a number of measures intended to enhance their legal, institutional and operational abilities to counter terrorist activities at home, in their regions and around the world. On 5 May 2020, **H.E. Mr. Kais Kabtani**, Permanent Representative of the Republic of Tunisia to the United Nations, was appointed Chair of CTC.