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## HEAD OF UNITED NATIONS COUNTER-TERRORISM OFFICE CALLS FOR SUPPORT TO AFRICAN-LED AND AFRICAN-OWNED SOLUTIONS TO ADDRESS THE GROWING TERRORISM THREAT IN AFRICA

Abuja, 24 April 2024 – The Under-Secretary-General of the United Nations Office of Counter-Terrorism (UNOCT), Mr. Vladimir Voronkov, concluded a visit to Nigeria to participate in the High-Level African Counter-Terrorism Meeting in Abuja, on 22-23 April. Held under the overarching theme "Strengthening Regional Cooperation and Institution Building to Address the Evolving Threat of Terrorism," the meeting also featured United Nations Deputy Secretary-General, Ms. Amina Mohammed as a keynote speaker in the opening session.

Mr. Voronkov thanked the President of the Federal Republic of Nigeria H.E. Bola Ahmed Tinubu, and the Nigerian National Security Advisor, H.E. Mallam Nuhu Ribadu for organizing this High-Level African Counter-Terrorism Meeting, with the support of UNOCT. He also extended his appreciation to the African Union for its support to Memb9mC33 gC33 G[C.ID Lang (en-US) & DC qC2.9882709.9882709.9885 Tm965 mw3(MO6o)3(F11(a))))]TETCA

The Under Secretary-General also held a number of high-level bilateral meetings on the margins of the Meeting including with the Chairperson of the