

Remarks of Under-Secretary-General Voronkov

PAM–UNOCT Virtual Meeting  
“Challenges of the post-territorial ISIL context”,  
with E-Signing of the  
UNOCT-PAM Memorandum of Understanding

Monday, 15 February 2021,  
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To effectively— and sustainably— deliver our mandate and promote a ‘whole-of-society’ approach to countering terrorism, we rely on strong partnerships, including with PAM, the Inter-Parliamentary Union, and the OSCE

It is urgent to bring these people, first of all children, back to their home countries.

At the recent Security Council Arria Formula Meeting on repatriation of children with alleged family ties to terrorist groups from conflict zones, I stressed that the best interests of the child should be the overarching consideration to address this challenge.

Shortly after ISIL's territorial defeat in March 2019, Secretary-General Guterres issued a set of "Key Principles for the Protection, Repatriation, Prosecution, Rehabilitation and Reintegration of Women and Children with Links to United Nations Listed Terrorist Groups."

Based on these principles, as well as relevant Security Council resolutions, UNOCT and UNICEF led the development of a Global Framework on United Nations support 0 g0 G015A301792 reW hBT