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High-Level Side Event on Mainstreaming Counter-Terrorism Responses Across Parliamentary
Functions

30 June 2021, 8.30 a.m. – 10 a.m.

Excellencies,
Distinguished Guests,
Ladies and Gentlemen,

I am honoured to welcome you all to this high-level side event on mainstreaming counter-terrorism responses across parliamentary functions, jointly organized with the Shura Council of the State of Qatar and co-sponsored by the Permanent Missions of Indonesia and Qatar to the United Nations and the Parliamentary Assembly of the Mediterranean (PAM).

I am deeply grateful to be joined by His Excellency Mr. Ahmad bin Abdulla bin Zaid Al Mahmoud, the Speaker of the Shura Council of the State of Qatar, His Excellency Mr. Mohamed Ali Houmed, President of the National Assembly of Djibouti, and His Excellency Mr. Duarte Pacheco, President of the Inter-Parliamentary Union.

I also appreciate the video remarks from His Excellency Mr. Wolfgang Sobotka, President of the Austrian National Council.

We are also honoured by the presence of Honourable Senator Pinotti from Italy, Honourable Senator Valencia from Colombia and Honourable Mr. Farhan, Member of Parliament from Indonesia, as well as Her Excellency Ms. Alia Bouran, President Emeritus of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Mediterranean.

Today, we observe the International Day of Parliamentarism, established through a General Assembly resolution in 2018, upon the initiative of our partners, the Inter-Parliamentary Union and the Interparliamentary Assembly of Member Nations of the Commonwealth of Independent States.

I would like to commend the efforts of all parliamentarians worldwide who are leading their

It also marks the first activity of the United Nations Office of Counter-Terrorism Programme Office on Parliamentary Engagement in Preventing and Countering Terrorism based in Doha.

We launched our new Office