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Opportunities

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Remarks

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- Your Excellency Mr. António Guterres, Secretary-General of the United Nations;
 - Your Excellency Mr. Vladimir Voronkov, Under-Secretary-General, United Nations Office of Counter-Terrorism;
 - Excellencies Permanent Representatives to the United Nations;
 - Distinguished fellow Panelists;
 - Distinguished participants, Ladies and Gentlemen;
1. Allow to me to start by commending the great work that the UN Global CT Coordination Compact is doing in supporting the AU and its Member States CT Efforts and Capacities. I would like to, therefore, seize this opportunity to recognize the leadership demonstrated by H.E Mr. Voronkov and the UNOCT team for the continued support to the African Union and its Member States in the implementation of the UN Global Strategy.

6. Civilians remain its highest victims, over 7,000 with over 4,000 security and military personnel have perished in 2023 as a result of terrorist acts, that's an increase of 127% and 190.8% in the Number of Civilian victims Security and Military Personnel respectively when compared to the previous period of 2022.¹
7. This upward trend and continued expansion, in particular in the Sahel, has been aggravated

multilateral cooperation in our collective efforts to combat terrorism and ensure the safety and security of our societies.

13. In this regard, Cooperation in particular with regional bodies, is a *sine qua non* condition for success. Better positioned, regional organization have the capacity to better articulate the international obligations into concrete local actions and programs, while ensuring complementarity with existing mechanisms and initiatives.

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