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Mr. Chairman,

Since this is the first time my delegation takes the floor, I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate you and members of the bureau on your elections. You can be assured of the Thai delegation's full support and cooperation during the deliberations of this Committee.
Thailand wishes to thank the Secretary General for his annual report on this item which contains important information on progress made at the national and international levels to eliminate terrorism. At the outset, my delegation aligns itself with the statements delivered by the distinguished Permanent Representative of Lao People's Democratic Republic on behalf of ASEAN and by the Permanent Representative of the Republic of Iran on behalf of the Non-Aligned Movement.

Mr. Chairman,

Terrorism results not only in loss and suffering, but affects the collective conscience of the international community since it displays total disregard for human life and decency. Here, allow me to offer our sincere and profound condolences to the victims and the bereaved families of recent terrorist attacks, including the recent attack in Kenya and elsewhere. Thailand reiterates our unequivocal condemnation of all terrorist acts in all forms and manifestations as heinous and totally unjustifiable crime. For this reason, the Royal Thai Government is fully_ committed to actively engage in the prevention, combating and elimination of terrorism at the domestic, regional and international levels. We will bring to justice, on the principle of"extradite or prosecute", any perpetrator or person who engages in terrorist acts.

Mr. Chairman,

Thailand thus welcomes the establishment by the United Nations of partnership to tackle terrorism
at regional and global levels. Here, the UN- Global Terrorism Strategy is important since it engages not only Member States but also other actors, including non-governmental organizations and civil society. We look forward to and will actively participate in the fourth biennial review of the Global Strategy.
At the regional level, Thailand will continue to work closely with the UN at all levels, in particular, with the Counter-Terrorism Committee Executive o·irectorate (CTED) and other bodies in capacity building and international coordination. ·