Since this is the first time the Kingdom of Thailand takes the floor, allow me to take this opportunity to congratulate y dur Chairman and the members of the Bureau on your elections and to assure you of our full support and cooperation during the deliberations of this C4(m)17(e)] TJ ET BT e4(s)4(u)--3(h)4(el)4(i)-3(b)-3th

Mr. Chairman,

Thailand believes that the finalization of draft Comprehensive Convention on International Terrorism (CCIT) will contribute significantly in the global action towards the fight gainst terrorism. We reiterate our view that the draft convention should contain a clear and precise definition of terrorism and without reference to <sup>3</sup> 6 W D W H W H U U R U L V P ´, Q O L J K W R I J U R Z L Q J F R Q F H action to tackle thereoblem, we call on States to take extra steps in the effort to finalise draft CCIT at the earliest opportunity.

Finally, Thailand believes that the root causes of terrorism and radicalization such as poverty, social marginalization, lack of accessestources and sense of injustice, must be addressed. We must promote sustainable and inclusive development. Thailand has been offering the international community its  $H[SHULHQFH LQ LPSOHPHQWLQJ + LV 0DMHVW \ W$  Philosophy (SEP) so means to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). Promoting better understanding among diverse faiths and cultures, and enhancing interfaith partnership also contribute to stemming extremism.

Mr. Chairman,

To conclude, Thailand firmly belies that member states need to continue to cooperate closely and in a comprehensive manner in order to eliminate international terrorism and achieve sustainable global peace and security.

Thank you, Mr. Chairman