

**Statement by Mr. Vladimir Voronkov, Under-Secretary-General of
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well as with all other relevant organizations, to improve the implementation of the Global Counter Terrorism Strategy.

A number of recommendations from CTED's assessments for Central Asia have been incorporated into the third phase of the JPoA including:

- 1) Strengthening sub-regional and international mechanisms for cooperation and exchange of information and intelligence;
- 2) Addressing, in collaboration with communities and civil society organizations, the grievances that fuel violent extremism and radicalization, including human rights violations, lack of transparency and corruption, and socio-political alienation;
- 3) Enhancing the development and implementation of comprehensive rehabilitation and reintegration programmes for persons involved in terrorist activity (including returning FTFs and their families) and de-radicalization of prison inmates.

Excellencies,

I would like to highlight

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cooperation. Other capacity-building activities will include the support for the management of violent extremist prisoners (VEPs) and the prevention of radicalization in prisons in accordance with human rights.

Finally, in order to meet the rapid growth of expectation of Central Asian countries, we are also exploring the option to establish a regional capacity building and training centre.

Building a strong partnership between UNOCT and CTED is a key part of these broader efforts to enhance international counter- terrorism cooperation. The implementation of the third phase of JPoA in Central Asia has set an example for closer practical cooperation between our two entities.

Thank you.