Delhi Declaration on countering the use of new and emerging technologies for terrorist purposes

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The Counter-Terrorism Committee,

- 1. *Reaffirms* that terrorism in all forms and manifestations constitutes one of the most serious threats to international peace and security, and that any acts of terrorism are criminal and unjustifiable regardless of their motivations, whenever, wherever, and by whomsoever committed, and remains determined to contribute further to enhancing the effectiveness of the overall effort to fight this scourge on a global level,
- 2. *Emphasizes* that the threat of terrorism is continuing, affecting a greater number of Member States across most regions, which exacerbates conflicts in affected regions, and contributes to undermining affected States, specifically their security, stability, governance, social and economic development,
- 3. *Reaffirms* that terrorism should not be associated with any religion, nationality, civilization or ethnic group,
- 4. *Expresses* deep concern that terrorism, in all its forms and manifestations, has become more diffuse, with an increase, in various regions of the world, notably aided by to, and the use of new and emerging technologies, for terrorist purposes, while recognizing that innovations in technology may offer significant counter-terrorism opportu 0 0 1ton1G[tore)5()]9x0.0000rm1yo

- 9. *Urges* all Member States to take urgent action to prevent and counter terrorism in all its forms and manifestations through the full and effective implementation of Security Council resolutions 1373 (2001), 1624 (2005), 2178 (2014), 2396 (2017), 2617 (2021) and other relevant international instruments relating to terrorism, consistent with their obligations under international law,
- 10. *Noting* the importance of Member States integrating gender as a cross-cutting issue into their counter-terrorism strategies and activities,
- 11. Calls on Member States to fulfil their obligations enshrined in relevant international counter terrorism conventions and protocols to which they are a party, and

- 18. *Stresses* the need to effectively counter the ways that the ISIL also known as Daesh, Al-Qaida, their affiliates and associated individuals, groups, undertakings, and entities use their narratives to incite and recruit others to commit terrorist acts,
- 19. *Recalls* the Counter-Terrorism Committee's Comprehensive International Framework to Counter Terrorist Narratives (S/2017/375) and Security Council resolution 2354 (2017), which request the Committee to continue to identify and compile existing good practices in countering terrorist narratives; emphasizes the need for Member States to develop counter-terrorist narratives and innovative technological solutions, all while respecting international law,
- 20. Recognizes the efforts of the United Nations-affiliated Tech Against Terrorism initiative to foster collaboration with representatives of

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- 31. Resolves to continue to assist Member States, with the support of CTED, to achieve full implementation of all relevant Security Council resolutions that pertain to countering the use of new and emerging technologies for terrorist purposes, while respecting human rights and fundamental freedoms,
- 32. *Expresses* intention to develop, with the support of CTED, set of non-binding guiding principles, taking into consideration the above, with a view to assisting Member States to counter the threat posed by the use of new and emerging technologies for terrorist purposes, including by compiling good practices on the opportunities offered by the same set of technologies to counter the threat, consistent with international human rights and international humanitarian law,
- 33. Encourages CTED to deepen its engagement and cooperation with civil society, including relevant private-sector entities, and other stakeholders, as appropriate, , as well as in the identification of trends, emerging issues and developments, with the support of members of the CTED Global Research Network (GRN), on areas pertaining to the threat posed by the use of new and emerging technologies for terrorist purposes,
- 34. Further encourages CTED to consider building on, strategic and voluntary public-private partnerships to ensure the timely exchange of information, support the conducting of threat analysis, the collation of good practices and, as appropriate, the development of operational support in countering the threat posed by the use of new and emerging technologies for terrorist purposes, while also harnessing the expertise present within the GRN,
- 35. Welcomes the efforts of CTED to facilitate, in close cooperation with UNOCT, the relevant United Nations Global Counter-Terrorism Coordination Compact entities, and other international specialized agencies, the delivery of technical assistance to Member States, upon request, mindful of the opportunities offered by new and emerging technologies to counter the terrorist threat, and requests CTED to produce a gap analysis, for consideration of the committee, on the capacities of Member States to counter the use of new and emerging technologies for terrorist purposes.