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**Mr. Chair,
Excellencies,
Distinguished colleagues,
Ladies and gentlemen,**

We welcome convening today Open briefing of the Counter-Terrorism Committee to discuss the current counter-terrorism situation in Central Asia, achieved progress and remaining challenges in this area.

My delegation commends the efforts made by the UNSC Counter-Terrorism Committee and the UN Office for Counter Terrorism (OCT) for their efforts to assist UN member-states in countering terrorism.

The contemporary world is full of tragic and horrific events.

Security challenges are growing against the backdrop of current instabilities.

The spread of terrorism and extremism, religious armed conflicts, transnational organized crime and drug trafficking are posing serious risks to security and stability of the countries.

Our region is not an exception. We are located in the forefront of the fight against terrorism and extremism.

To this vein, the fight against this evil phenomenon becomes vitally important for the countries of the region.

It requires from all UN member states to take concerted actions in compliance with the international law and to refrain from application of

Lastly, as you know we, alongside with the UN, OSCE and EU hosted the International Conference on Combating Terrorism and Preventing Violent Extremism in Dushanbe. We would like to thank UN OCT for all their support rendered to our government in this direction.

In our opinion, it was a timely and important initiative to improve and strengthen cooperation and coordination between Central Asian countries, to jointly and effectively counter the problems emanating from terrorism and extremism.

The Conference also coincided with the launch of the Third phase of the Joint Plan of Action for the implementation of the UN GCTS.

Mr. Chair,

The Government of Tajikistan in cooperation with its partners and international organizations, particularly the relevant UN agencies, will continue taking specific measures to address threats and challenges emanating from terrorism and extremism, to ensure enduring peace and overall stability in the region.

In conclusion, I would like to reiterate that Tajikistan stands ready for an open and constructive dialogue with all countries and international and regional organizations in this area.

I thank you.