Excellencies, Distinguished Guests,

It is a great honor to address you today as we gather to celebrate the graduation of the 2024 cohort of the Specialized Training on Counter-Terrorism Investigations. This ceremony represents a significant milestone not only in the professional journey of the graduates, but also underscores our collective commitment to addressing the critical challenges posed by terrorism in Africa.

Allow me first to express my sincere appreciation to our partners for their crucial support.

I would like to thank Dr Salim Al Malik, Director-General of the Islamic World Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (ICESCO) for hosting today's ceremony. This demonstrates our shared commitment to fostering education and collaboration in the fight against terrorism.

I would like also to extend our heartfelt gratitude to the Kingdom of Morocco for hosting our Programme Office in Rabat and for the strategic partnership we have developed. The unwavering support provided by Morocco and its counter-terrorism agencies has been