<u>African Group Statement on</u> "Measures to Eliminate International Terrorism"

Mr. Chairman,

I have the honour to speak on behalf of the African Group. At the outset, I wish to assure you of the African group's fullest cooperation and support.

We thank the Secretary General for his report contained in document A/67/162.

Mr. Chairman,

There is no justification for terrorism. African States strongly and unequivocally condemn terrorism in all its forms and manifestations, as well as all acts, methods and practices of terrorism wherever, by whomever, against whomever committed, including State terrorism. For no cause or grievance can justify terrorism.

We recognize that all nations, whether or not directly affected by terrorist acts, share a common interest in being more proactive and adopting a preventive approach.

Mr. Chairman,

The African Group appreciates the work done so far by the ad hoc