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Thank you, Mr. Chairman,

The Philippines is very pleased that you are leading the Sixth Committee. We congratulate you and the Bureau, and express our full support.

We align with the statements of Iran on behalf of Non-Aligned Movement (NAM) and of Cambodia on behalf of ASEAN.

We also wish to thank the Secretary-General for the report on Agenda 112.

Terrorism is an incessant threat to the international security and to economic development. This big, heavy cloud of threat knows no border, nationality, or creed. Addressing it will require more than the words that echo in this chamber.

The Philippines denounces terrorism in all forms, places, and against all victims, including acts of aggression and violence under the guise of war. Blatant and serious violations of international law and the United Nations Charter must be met with severe consequences.

Terrorism is pervasive and evolving, and while we may sometimes struggle, we are undeterred. We stay vigilant and determined as we continue to be guided by the Global Counter-Terrorism Strategy that we adopted in 2006. For the Philippines, this means enhancing cooperation at all levels, refining and updating our legal framework, and sustaining the continued engagement of all stakeholders.

In recent years, we have amped our cooperation with the UN and partner states on capacity-building programs and activities targeted at equipping our law enforcement and security personnel and the modernization of facilities and digital machineries. In particular, the Philippines lauds the UN Office of Counter-Terrorism (UNOCT) and other UN entities in bringing

