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Thank you Chair.

As this is the United Kingdom's first statement in the Sixth Committee this year, let me take the opportunity to congratulate you, and the Bureau, on your appointments. We look forward to working with you all.

The United Kingdom stands resolute in its fight against terrorism and

Recent developments have cast a spotlight on the convergence of terrorism, state actors, and organised crime. Terrorist groups exploit weak states as sanctuaries, while some states seek to utilise such groups to advance their own interests. Simultaneously, terrorists engage in organised crime for funding and networks. Member states must unite to combat this multifaceted threat.

Counter-terrorism efforts must always be conducted within the framework of respect for human rights. In doing so, we strengthen our credibility and legitimacy and deny extremists a propaganda tool to recruit and radicalise. The UK continues to regularly raise our concerns through the UN system, including the UN Human Rights Council.

In closing, let us remember that in unity lies our strength. The future of a safer world depends on our collective determination to confront and conquer these threats.

Thank you.