

**2021 United Nations Counter-Terrorism Week**

*21-30 June 2021*

**Virtual side event**

**guidelines to facilitate the implementation of Security Council resolution  
2370 (2017), related good**

*Thursday, 24 June 2021, 12.30-2.00 p.m. EDT*

**Opening statement of**

**Assistant Secretary-General Michèle Coninx  
Executive Director, CTED**

*Excellencies, distinguished participants,*

**Allow me to begin by welcoming you all to this side event, which has been co-organized by CTED with UNOCT and UNIDIR, under the sponsorship of the Russian Federation.**

**Preventing terrorists from gaining access to weapons remains an extremely complex challenge, which requires multi-layered responses by States at the legislative, administrative and operational levels.**

**Building upon Security Council resolution 1373 (2001), Council resolution 2370 (2017) established a comprehensive set of provisions and approaches on this issue  
it through its assessments and  
dialogue with Member States.**

**Council resolution 2482 (2019) focused on the nexus between counter-terrorism and organized crime, including the trafficking of weapons.**

**Counter-Terrorism Committee Executive Directorate (CTED)**

**In 2018, the Council adopted the Addendum to its 2015 *Madrid Guiding principles on stemming the flow of foreign terrorist fighters*, adding a new principle on**

**CTED has assessed that many States lack the necessary capacity, resources, and modern technology and equipment for effective weapons control, and also suffer**

