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Seven further visits are scheduled for the remainder of the year - more than in any

rapidly and
more widely.

The establishment of the Office of Counter-Terrorism with a strong mandate on PVE and capacity-building provides an opportunity to strengthen the links and shorten the time period between our assessments and the delivery of assistance.

We look forward to discussing the issue with USG Voronkov and his Office.

Regardless of these efforts, we should avoid any perception that technical assistance delivery is a precondition for implementing binding Council resolutions.

The Council may wish to consider ways to encourage States to implement CTC recommendations especially in cases where technical assistance is not the reason for the lack of implementation or when States are visited more than once.

Mr. President,

The Council has adopted six new resolutions on terrorism in a short period of time.

CTED has in many cases contributed to their elaboration.

One notable example is development of the comprehensive framework on counter-narratives which served as a foundation for resolution 2354.

CTED relying on its thematic expertise will continue to advise the CTC on the implementation to advise the

CTC on practical ways for Member States to implement resolutions.

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CTED will also work with its partners including ICAO, INTERPOL and UNODC - on their promotion.

It will also continue to integrate them into its work streams and identify gaps and challenges, as well as practical ways for Member States to overcome them.

In this regard, I would note that CTED recently updated the Technical Guide to the implementation of Council resolutions on terrorism.

The Guide serves to strengthen and deepen CTC assessments and helps Member States prepare for them.

Since last week it has been available for download in English on the CTC website.

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Let me be clear, most CTED work products including in particular its thematic

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CTED analysis of trends and developments is also free of confidentiality requirements.

We need to explore ways to ensure that the entire UN system benefits from CTED analysis which is probably the most updated and comprehensive research-based analysis in the UN system on counter-terrorism trends and developments.

Mr. President,

Over the last 12 months, CTED has organized four open briefings and four special meetings on behalf of the CTC.

These meetings and briefings serve several important purposes:

Firstly, they bring transparency to the work.

On numerous occasions, Member States notably States not serving on the Council have thanked CTED for these meetings and expressed a strong wish that they be continued.

Secondly, they enable

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The meetings enable the CTC to promote the relevant Council resolutions, as well as practical, human rights-compliant ways to implement them.

Lastly, they play an important role in policy formulation by encouraging feedback from States, experts, academia and civil society concerning issues on the agenda.

This helps ensure that CTC policy is comprehensive, inclusive, and responsive to the current threat environment.

The meetings and briefings have more than once paved the way for the adoption of new CTC policies and even new Council resolutions. SC resolution 2370, on SALW, is a good example of the effectiveness of this practice and its role in supporting policy formulation and promotion at the CTC and at the Council.

CTED remains committed to working constructively with all its partners in its work to assess implementation,

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Mr. President,

Together, we have achieved a great deal since the adoption of resolution 1373, in 2001.

However, the terrorist threat continues to evolve at an alarming pace.

And terrorist organizations continue to demonstrate flexibility and the capacity to quickly adapt their operational methods and strategies.

They are also particularly adept at exploiting new technologies — whether to spread their messages; recruit new members; or finance, plan and perpetrate attacks.

More than ever before, the Committee needs a dynamic, agile and responsive body of experts to support and promote its work.

CTED will continue to do its utmost to fulfil that role, and is honoured to serve this cause.

Thank you.