

**Remarks by Mr. Vladimir Voronkov, Under-Secretary-General of the United Nations Office of Counter**





We must also ensure that women and young people are fully involved as drivers and agents of peace.

Last but certainly not least, we need to lift up the voices of victims and survivors of terrorism.

Victims are extremely powerful and credible messengers. Their experiences put a human face to the impact of terrorism and help to counter the warped narratives of terrorists and violent extremists.

That is why my Office plans to convene the first Global Congress of Victims of Terrorism in New York in June next year.

This will be held alongside the second High-level Conference of Heads of Counter-Terrorism Agencies of Member States, during the “United Nations Counter-Terrorism Week”, which will take place in the framework of the 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the United Nations.

Excellencies, ladies and gentlemen,

Our discussions this afternoon will help bring the United Natio