Our collective goal is to prevent future attacks and loss of life, and to ensure that victims and survivors receive the support they need to rebuild their lives.

The United Nations and its Member States have made great strides over the past few years to

and needs.

At the international level, key milestones, such as the International Day for Victims and the first United Nations Global Congress of Victims of Terrorism, have laid the groundwork to advance victim-centered approaches. However, without action at the national level, including adoption and implementation of relevant law, we risk losing the momentum.

Ladies and Gentlemen.

It is heartening to see that Member States including the Philippines are increasingly prioritizing a victim-centered approach.

My Office is committed to continue supporting you in addressing the threat of terrorism in an effective, sustainable, and international law-compliant manner.

Ladies and gentlemen,

This project we are launching today, which places victims and survivors at the center of our counter terrorism efforts, will be added to the list of existing joint initiatives implemented in the Philippines, including the UN Joint Programme on Human Rights and the Counter-Terrorism Travel Programme.

It is the first of its kind to strengthen Member States