

Counter-Terrorism Committee Executive Directorate (CTED)

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Excellencies, distinguished participants,

Allow me to begin by thanking the Government of Uzbekistan, UNOCT, and OSCE for inviting me to address Conference.

Central Asia continues to face significant security challenges, including active terrorist activity and illicit drugs and arms trafficking. Online terrorist propaganda and recruitment also continue to increase.

The States of Central Asia thus remain at the forefront of the international fight against terrorism.

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I can also assure you that CTED will continue to engage in close dialogue with States of the region in monitoring, promoting, and facilitating their implementation of the relevant Council resolutions.

Thank you.