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15. Botswana
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17. Burkina Faso
18. Burundi
19. Cambodia
20. Cameroon
21. Cape Verde
22. Central African Republic
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25. Colombia
26. Comoros
27. Congo
28. Cote d'Ivoire
29. Cuba
30. Democratic People's Republic of Korea
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32. Djibouti
33. Dominica
34. Dominican Republic
35. Ecuador
36. Egypt
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40. Ethiopia
41. Fiji
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44. Ghana
45. Grenada
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47. Guinea Bissau
48. Guinea
49. Guyana
50. Haiti
51. Honduras
52. India
53. Indonesia
54. Iran (I. R.)
55. Iraq
56. Jamaica
57. Jordan
58. Kenya
59. Kuwait
60. Lao People's Democratic Republic
61. Lebanon
62. Lesotho
63. Liberia
64. Libya
65. Madagascar
66. Malawi
67. Malaysia
68. Maldives
69. Mali
70. Mauritania
71. Mauritius
72. Mongolia
73. Morocco
74. Mozambique
75. Myanmar
76. Namibia
77. Nepal
78. Nicaragua
79. Niger

No. 0126/8/21
Vienna, 08 March 2021

Dear Mr. Ambassador,

I kindly request, Your Excellency, to acknowledge the receipt of the statement on behalf of the Non-Aligned Movement¹ at the 14th United Nations Congress on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice being held 7-12 March 2021 in Kyoto, Japan and circulate the statement among the participating delegations to the Kyoto Crime Congress

Your Excellency, I take this opportunity to renew the assurances of my highest consideration.

Encl.: 3 pages

Sincerely,

Galib Israfilov
Ambassador

Permanent Representative of the Republic of
Azerbaijan to the United Nations Office
and Other International Organisations in Vienna

**H.E. Ambassador Alessandro Cortese
Permanent Representative of Italy
to the International Organizations in Vienna
Chairman of the CCPCJ**

**Cc: Mr. John Brandolino, Director of the Division for Treaty Affairs
of the UNODC**

Colombia and Guatemala disassociate themselves from the Statement with the understanding that its language shall not be considered as agreed or set a precedent for future.

80. Nigeria
81. Oman
82. Pakistan
83. Palestine
84. Panama
85. Papua New Guinea
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98. Singapore
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110. Turkmenistan
111. Uganda
112. United Arab Emirates
113. United Republic of Tanzania
114. Uzbekistan
115. Vanuatu
116. Venezuela
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118. Yemen
119. Zambia
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Observer Countries

1. Argentina
2. Armenia
3. Bosnia and Herzegovina
4. Brazil
5. China
6. Costa Rica
7. Croatia
8. El Salvador
9. Kazakhstan
10. Kyrgyzstan
11. Mexico
12. Montenegro
13. Paraguay
14. Serbia
15. Tajikistan
16. Ukraine
17. Uruguay

Observer Organizations

1. African Union
2. Afro-Asian People's Solidarity Organization
3. Commonwealth Secretariat
4. Kanak Socialist National Liberation Front
5. League of Arab States
6. National Hostosian Movement for the Independence of Puerto Rico
7. Organization of Islamic Cooperation
8. South Center
9. United Nations
10. World Peace Council



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**STATEMENT ON BEHALF OF THE NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT (NAM) AT THE
FOURTEENTH UNITED NATIONS CONGRESS ON CRIME PREVENTION AND
CRIMINAL JUSTICE**

Kyoto, 7 March 2021

Mr. Chair,

1. I have the honor to deliver this statement on behalf of the Non-Aligned Movement.
2. At the outset, Non-Aligned Movement Member States express their gratitude to the Government of Japan for excellent organization of the fourteenth United Nations Congress on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice and wish all the delegations successful deliberations;
3. The Member States of the Non-Aligned Movement express deep concern over the negative impact of crime on the rule of law, human rights, socio-economic development, public health and security, the environment and cultural heritage;
4. The Movement also expresses deep concern that crime is becoming increasingly transnational, organized and complex and that criminals are increasingly exploiting new and emerging technologies including the Internet to carry out their illicit activities;
5. NAM strongly reaffirms the responsibility of all States to uphold the Charter of the United Nations in its entirety and fully respect the principles of sovereign equality and territorial integrity of States and that of non-intervention in the domestic affairs of other States throughout all efforts in preventing and combatting crime;
6. The Member States note with concern that the collective desire of the Movement to establish a peaceful and prosperous world as well as a just and equitable world order remains encumbered by fundamental impediments, which are in the form of, inter alia, the severe adverse impact of the global financial and economic crises, the continuing lack of resources and underdevelopment of the majority of the developing world, continuing unequal terms of trade and the lack of cooperation from developed countries, as well as the coercive and unilateral measures imposed by some of them and the use of force or the threats of use of force, further exacerbated by the outbreak of the COVID-19 Pandemic,



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7. NAM Member States recognize that comprehensive and effective crime prevention strategies must address, inter alia, the root causes and risk factors of crime;
8. Member States of the Movement acknowledge that relevant international instruments, including the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime and United Nations Convention against Corruption could serve as a strong foundation to build close cooperation at the international level in preventing and combating crime;
9. The Movement reaffirms the cross-cutting nature of crime prevention and criminal justice issues and the consequent need to integrate those issues into the wider agenda of the United Nations in order to enhance system-wide coordination;

Mr. Chair,

10. Member States of the Movement reaffirm that acts, methods and practices of terrorism in all their forms and manifestations are activities aimed at the destruction of human rights, fundamental freedoms and democracy, threatening the territorial integrity and security of States and destabilizing the legitimately constituted Governments, and that the international community should take the necessary steps to enhance cooperation to prevent and combat terrorism, while bearing in mind that terrorism should not be associated with any religion, nationality, civilization or ethnic group;
11. Financing of terrorism is a matter of grave concern that must be fought with determination. In this regard, NAM Member States stress the need in further building capacity to prevent and suppress the financing of terrorist acts and to criminalize the willful provision or collection, by any means, including through non-profit organizations, of funds by their nationals or in their territories, with the intention that the funds be used for carrying out terrorist acts;
12. NAM Member States express their concern over the gravity of cybercrime and the misuse of information and telecommunications technologies in multiple forms of crime as set in the relevant UN General Assembly Resolutions;
13. Trafficking in persons remains a global challenge affecting all countries around the world, despite a significant intensification of international efforts and cooperation in combatting this crime. In this regard, NAM Member States draw the attention of international community to the need to address the new



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challenges generated by the rapid development of the Internet and other information and communications technologies that are being used to facilitate trafficking in persons, including for the purpose of exploiting women and children, and to recruit and control victims.

14. The Movement reaffirms its commitment to address the worsening problem of illicit drug trafficking worldwide on account of its transnational and global nature, and reiterates that more effective measures must be taken to prevent, combat and eradicate the world drug problem in all its aspects.
15. NAM Member States acknowledge the importance of making every effort to prevent and counter corruption, and to implement measures aimed at enhancing transparency in public administration and promoting the integrity and accountability of criminal justice systems, in accordance with the United Nations Convention against Corruption
16. NAM also underlines that one of the high priorities in the fight against corruption is to ensure the return of illegally acquired assets to the country of origin. The Member States, therefore, urge all States Parties to the UN Convention against Corruption and relevant international organizations, consistent with the principles of the Convention, in particular Chapter V, to strengthen their cooperation at all levels in order to facilitate the quick return of such assets, and to assist requesting States to build human, legal and institutional capacity to facilitate tracing, confiscation and recovery of such assets;
17. The Movement expresses concern about the loss, destruction, removal, theft, pillage, illicit movement or misappropriation of, and any acts of vandalism or damage directed against cultural property in the areas of armed conflict with the growing involvement of organized criminal and terrorist groups. In this regard, NAM Member States urge all states to enhance cooperation in preventing and combating criminal offences against cultural property, especially in returning such proceeds of crime or property to their legitimate owners in line with Article 14 of the UN Convention against Transnational Organized Crime.

I thank you, Mr. Chair.