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## **The UNODC Roadmap on the Treatment of Children Associated with Terrorist and Violent Extremist Groups**

**Concept note for a High-Level Event at the 14<sup>th</sup> Crime Congress in Kyoto**

**Wednesday 22 April 2020, 1:00-2:30PM**

The High-Level Event will present the UNODC Roadmap on the Treatment of Children Associated with Terrorist and Violent Extremist Groups. The Roadmap, which is the culmination of four years of technical assistance provided by UNODC on this matter, acts as a manifesto intended to promote an integrated approach to the treatment of these children. At the core of the Roadmap there is the recognition that preserving public safety and respecting child rights are complementary objectives that have to be pursued concomitantly with a view to achieving long-lasting peace and security. The Roadmap, which was developed thanks to the generous contribution of the Government of Japan, also serves as guidance for action in three complementary areas of work: prevention of child involvement with terrorist and violent extremist groups; the rehabilitation and reintegration of children formerly associated with these groups; and effective justice responses. The event will not only celebrate present achievements from leading Member States to prevent and effectively respond to this serious form of violence against children, but also to renew the commitment to these efforts in the future. The event is co-sponsored by the Governments of Japan and Indonesia.