

**Statement by the Representative of the Islamic Republic of Iran**

**Before**

**The Thirtieth Session of the Commission on Crime Prevention and  
Criminal Justice**

**on agenda item 6 (c):**

**Ratification and Implementation of the International Instruments to  
Prevent and Combat Terrorism**

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*In the Name of God, the Compassionate, the Merciful*

**Mr. Chair,**

My delegation would like to express its appreciation for the inclusion of this important topic on the agenda of the Commission, particularly having regard to the coincidence of considering this agenda item with the ongoing United Nations Global Counter-Terrorism Strategy negotiation process, taking place at the Headquarters in New York.

We align ourselves with international community that all acts of terrorism are criminal and unjustifiable, regardless of their motivation, whenever and by whomsoever committed, especially when they indiscriminately target or injure civilians.

We condemn in the strongest possible terms all acts of terrorism, including those targeting scientists and government officials of the Member States as well as terrorist acts against and in sabotage of nuclear facilities.

We reaffirm that terrorism and extremism, as multidimensional phenomena, can only be defeated by a sustained comprehensive approach involving the active participation and collaboration of all States, and by redoubled efforts at the national level while fully observing and respecting the purposes and principles of the Charter of the United Nations and international law.

We also reaffirm that the United Nations Global Counter-Terrorism Strategy provides a common platform for cooperation and in this regard, we support its implementation, in an integrated and balanced way. We also support the pivotal role of the General Assembly, with universal membership, in following up the implementation and the updating of the Strategy.

We reiterate our unwavering commitment to strengthening international cooperation to prevent and combat terrorism in all its forms and manifestations. We acknowledge such cooperation and any measures taken by Member States to prevent and combat terrorism, as well as to prevent and counter violent extremism as and when conducive to terrorism, must fully comply with the obligations under international law, including the Charter, in particular the purposes and principles thereof as well as fundamental principles of international law.

We emphasize that any measure contrary to the basic principles of international law such as politicization of the fight against terrorism and false allegations of terrorism against Member States, in particular official armed forces of States, would only provide terrorists a chance and a safe haven to spread and jeopardize peace and security of our nations and would be counterproductive and detrimental in achieving a world free of terrorism.

We actively remain committed in combating terrorism and continue to strive towards eliminating all forms of terrorism. To this end, we seek legal tools that are

in line with our domestic and international obligations so as to combat terrorism more effectively.

**I thank you.**