

A New Approach to Coordinate the United Nations Work on Counter-Terrorism

New York, 16 April 2019 – Today, the United Nations launched a new system to coordinate the counter-terrorism work. The Global Counter-Terrorism Coordination Compact Committee approved the terms of reference and initial work plans of the eight new inter-agency working groups that will operationalize, under the Compact’s umbrella, enhanced coordination and coherence of UN counter-terrorism efforts with a view to achieve concrete impact on the ground.

The Global Counter-Terrorism Coordination Compact is an agreement between the UN Secretary-General and 36 UN entities plus the International Criminal Police Organization (INTERPOL) and the World Customs Organization (WCO). It was developed by Secretary-General Guterres as part of his reform of the UN counter-terrorism architecture and is the largest coordination framework at the United Nations.

“The Global Counter-Terrorism Compact is a shared commitment and a shared responsibility. There are high expectations among Member States that we demonstrate coordination and coherence in action, with impact” said the UN Under-Secretary-General for Counter-terrorism, Mr. Vladimir Voronkov, who Chairs the UN Global Compact Coordination Committee on behalf of the Secretary-General. The Committee, which oversees the implementation of the Compact and monitors its implementation, includes a representative of the Counter-Terrorism Committee Executive Directorate (CTED), the chairs and vice-chairs of the new eight Global Compact Working Groups, as well as representatives of other Global Counter-Terrorism Compact entities. The UN Office of Counter-Terrorism serves as a Secretariat to the