## Remarks by Mr. Vladimir Voronkov, Under-Secretary-General United Nations Office of Counter-Terrorism

Web-dialogue on Preventing and Countering Bioterrorism in the Wake of COVID-19

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Excellencies, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I would like to thank His Excellency, Ambassador Magzhan Ilyassov,

This requires multilateral initiatives

United Nations entities collaborate with INTERPOL in the Global Counter-Terrorism

Coordination Compact

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Prevent and counter bioterrorism.

I am particularly proud of the Global Programme on preventing and responding to chemical, biological, nuclear and radiological terrorism, led by the UN Counter-Terrorism-Centre of the United Nations Office of Counter-Terrorism, which provided capacity building to over 1200 officials this year.

Our activities enhanced the capacity in preventing and responding to bioterrorism, including training for the first responders on outbreak containment, biological countermeasures and countering clandestine laboratories.