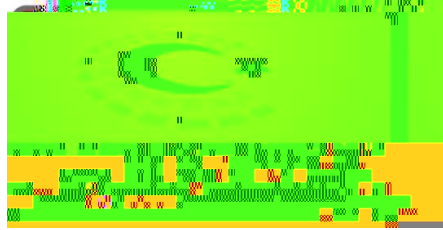


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**STATEMENT** by

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FOR THE 68TH SESSION OF  
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
ON THE MEASURES TO ELIMINATE  
INTERNATIONAL TERRORISM**

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Mr. Chairman,

Let me join other representatives congratulating you on your election to the Chairmanship of the Sixth Committee. My congratulations also go to the other members of the Bureau.

We are confident that under your able stewardship we will be in a position to gather desired results from this meeting. I assure you of my delegation's full support and cooperation.

Mr. Chairman,

Terrorism as an asymmetric warfare continues to pose serious threat to the peace, security, stability and wealth of the member states. Latest heinous terrorist attacks which took place at different parts of the world once again attested the necessity of uniting our efforts to eradicate this menace. We condemn terrorism in all its forms and manifestations.

There is no doubt that this global threat requires a global response. It is crucial that we speak today with one voice in reaffirming our determination to commit ourselves to fight against it through the relevant UN resolutions. In that respect this Committee has a particular significance.

Mr. Chairman,

The threat is real and ubiquitous. Nowhere is safe or no one is immune from the threat of terrorism. We need to bear in mind that in the face of such imminent threat, any weakness in reaching consensus in the work of this Committee may give a negative signal. We all need to give the same and clear message to terrorists, na e t ahe -4.0679(e)-2.38758(a-68.8485(t)-4.40819(g)-1.8097( )-178.1

It is clearly the family, friends and loved ones of those who have perished or those who have been injured that bear the real brunt of abhorrent acts of terror. I express my country's full solidarity with the families, friends and loved ones of victims of terrorism all around the world. We share in their grief.

Mr. Chairman,

We should not be discouraged with the increasing number of terrorist attacks around the world. It is not an easy task to eradicate terrorism in a short

