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countries or enlist recruits for their organizations. All efforts to fight terrorism and crime will also need that the UN Delivers as One.

We call for deploying holistic counter-terrorism measures and systematic steps, in line with the New Preventive Agenda so as to avert the recruitment of terrorists and address the threat posed by FTFs. We need to pay attention to those FTFs returning or relocating, particularly, from conflict zones to their countries of origin or nationality, or to third states. This is of great concern for my country and our part of the world, Central Asia, because we see a great threat from the illegal activities of global terrorist organizations operating in the neighbouring regions of South Asia and the Middle East. We thus need to secure our borders against infiltration by these terrorists, strengthen border control, exchange intelligence information and enforce surveillance and monitoring, utilizing new ICTs. We also need to prevent terrorists from acquiring and using SALW and WMD and engaging in cyber-crimes with assistance of organized crime.

This calls for strengthening our legislative framework, including measures to improve extradition and prosecution procedures and competence, intensify our law and order capabilities, criminal justice responses, and enhance rehabilitation, reintegration and de-radicalization programmes. At the same time, intensive measures shall be taken to counter terrorist ideologies and narratives. Another important sphere that takes high priority is curbing the financing of terrorism. *Terrorism exists to a large extent because of the ready availability of financial resources for terrorist attacks through criminal and illegal activities, such as the mining of natural resources, sale of artifacts, the production and trade of narcotics and other illicit sales.* Working on interlinkages between international terrorism and OC, we thus need to safeguard critical infrastructure, cultural heritage and places of worship against terrorist attacks. After the tragedies in Christchurch and Sri Lanka, there is no option but to unite over a global dialogue to promote a culture of tolerance and peace, and combat acts of violence and hate crimes based on religion or belief, so that we can gradually build a world free of terrorism.

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