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## THE ROLE OF PARLIAMENTARIANS IN ADDRESSING THE THREAT OF FOREIGN TERRORIST FIGHTERS AND ASSOCIATED CHALLENGES

**Luxor, Egypt, 26-28 February 2019**

**ARRIVAL: Monday, 25 February**

Organized jointly by the Inter-Parliamentary Union, the House of Representatives of Egypt, the United

Arrival of participants in Luxor Nations Office on Drugs and Crime and the United Nations Office of Counter-Terrorism

18:00 Registration at the Steigenberger Nile Palace

20:00 – 22:00 Dinner hosted by the Egyptian House of Representatives in the Steigenberger Nile Palace

Welcome remarks by Mr. Ali Abdel Aal Sayed Ahmed, Speaker of the Egyptian House of Representatives

**DAY I: Tuesday, 26 February, Steigenberger Nile Palace**

10:00- 12:00 **Opening Session**

- Mr. Ali Abel Aal Sayed Ahmed, Speaker of the Egyptian House of Representatives
- Ms. Amal Abdulla Al Qubaisi, Speaker of the Federal National Council of the United Arab Emirates and Chairperson of the IPU High-Level Advisory Group on Countering Terrorism and Violent Extremism
- Mr. Martin Chungong, IPU Secretary General
- Mr. Mauro Miedico, Director, Special Advisor to the Under-Secretary-General for Counter-Terrorism, UNOCT
- Ms. Cristina Albertin, UNODC Regional Representative for the Middle East and North Africa, presenting the work of the UNODC
- Mr. Antonio Pedro Roque da Visitação Oliveira, President of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Mediterranean
- Mr. Saad Sleim Elgammal, Deputy President of the Arab Parliament, on behalf of the President of the Arab Parliament
- Mr. Mohamed El Amin Wid Akik, Assistant-Secretary for Legal Affairs, on behalf of the Secretary General of the Arab League

12:00- 12:30 Group photo and coffee break

12:30 – 13:45	<p><b>First session: The state of terrorism and foreign terrorist fighters (FTF)</b></p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> Mr. Saber Chowdhury, Honorary IPU President and Member of the Parliament of Bangladesh</p>
	<p><b>Speakers:</b> Mr. Ahmed Elbuckley, Analytical Support and Sanctions Monitoring Team pursuant to Security Council resolutions 1526 (2004) and 2253 (2015) concerning Islamic State in Iraq and the Levant (ISIL) (Da'esh), Al-Qaida and the Taliban and associated individuals and entities, United Nations</p> <p>Ms. Guadalupe Megre, Officer-in-Charge, Section for the Middle East, North Africa, the Gulf and Latin America and the Caribbean, UNODC Terrorism Prevention Branch</p>
13:45 – 16:00	Lunch hosted by the Egyptian House of Representatives at the Mövenpick Hotel
16:00- 18:00	<p><b>Second Session: Legal and Gaps Analysis Scope of Terrorist Offences, Criminalization of acts aimed at stemming the flow of FTF</b></p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> Mr. Mahmoud Fawzi, Senior Advisor to the Speaker of the House of Representatives of Egypt</p> <p><b>Speaker:</b> Mr. Julien Savoye, Legal Officer, Counter-Terrorism Committee Executive Directorate, United Nations</p> <p>Professor Mohamed Badar, Dip. International Relations, LLM, PhD, FHEA Chair in Comparative and International Criminal Law and Islamic Law; Senior Expert of Euromed Justice IV</p> <p>Ms. Miriam Shafik, Program Manager, International Institute for Justice and the Rule of Law</p>
20:00– 22:00	Dinner hosted by the UNODC, Steigenberger Hotel
<b>DAY II: Wednesday, 27 February</b>	
09:00- 10:30	<p><b>Third session: The preventive role of parliamentarians and parliaments in addressing terrorism and extremism</b></p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> Mr. Amjed Bashir, Member of the European Parliament</p> <p><b>Speakers:</b> Mr. Mokhtar Omar, Senior Advisor to the IPU Secretary General</p> <p>Mr. Mosleh At'Tarawneh, MP from Jordan</p> <p>Mr. Anti Avsan, Judge and Former MP at the Swedish Riksdag</p>
10:30 - 11:00	Coffee break

11:00 – 13:00	<p><b>Fourth session: Preventing and countering incitement and recruitment to commit terrorist acts, radicalization and recruitment in prisons</b></p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> Mr. Mokhtar Omar, Senior Advisor to the IPU Secretary General</p> <p><b>Speakers:</b> Mr. Osama El Azhary, Scholar, Professor of Theology and MP from the House of Representatives of Egypt</p>
	<p>Mr. Mahasen Al Shara'ah, MP from Jordan</p> <p>Ali Younes, Terrorism Prevention Regional Advisor, UNODC, ROMENA</p>
13:00-15:00	Lunch hosted by the UNODC, Steigenberger Hotel
15:00- 16:30	<p><b>Fifth session: The detection and intervention of FTF Travel, using API/PNR and enhanced information exchange. The United Nations Travel Programme</b></p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> Mr. Mauro Miedico, Director, Special Advisor to Under-Secretary-General of the United Nations Office on Counter-Terrorism</p> <p><b>Speakers:</b></p> <p>Mr. Jelle Postma, Senior Programme Manager, United Nations Office of Counter-Terrorism (through VTC)</p> <p>Ms. Fernanda Lombardi, Programme Officer, UNODC Terrorism Prevention Branch</p> <p>Mr. Mohamed El-Gindy, IT Expert, Open Source Intelligence</p>
16:30 – 17:00	Coffee break
17:00 - 18:30	<p><b>Sixth session: Protecting critical infrastructure, vulnerable targets, “soft” targets, and tourism site</b></p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> Mr. Seddik Chiheb, MP from Algeria</p> <p><b>Speaker:</b></p> <p>Mr. Amr Sedky, Chair of the Tourism Committee of the Egyptian House of Representatives</p> <p>Mr. Julien Savoye, Legal Officer, United Nations Counter-Terrorism Committee Executive Directorate</p>
20:00– 22:00	Dinner hosted by UNODC at the Steigenberger Hotel
DAY III: Thursday, 28 February	

09:00-11:00	<p><b>Seventh session: Presentation of the Joint IPU-UNODC-UNOCT Programme on countering terrorism and violent extremism</b></p> <p><b>Speakers:</b>  Mr. Mokhtar Omar, Senior Advisor to the IPU Secretary General</p> <p>Mr. Mauro Miedico, Director, Special Advisor to Under-Secretary-General on CounterTerrorism</p> <p>Ms. Olga Lanchenko, Programme Officer, UNODC Terrorism Prevention Branch</p>
11:00 - 11:30	Coffee break
11:30 - 13:00	<p><b>Conclusions and recommendations</b></p> <p><b>Speakers:</b>  Mr. Mokhtar Omar, Senior Advisor to the IPU Secretary General</p> <p>Ms. Cristina Albertin, UNODC Regional Representative for the Middle East and North Africa</p> <p>Mr. Mauro Miedico, Director, Special Advisor to Under-Secretary-General on Counter-Terrorism</p>
13:00 – 14:00	Lunch hosted by the UNODC, Steigenberger Hotel
14:00 – 19:00	Cultural Programme hosted by the House of Representatives of Egypt
20:30 – 22:00	Dinner hosted by the UNODC, Steigenberger Hotel
<b>DEPARTURE: Friday, 1 March</b>	
Departure of the participants	