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**Towards a comprehensive implementation of the Joint Plan of Action for Central Asia under the United Nations Global Counter-Terrorism Strategy:  
Recognizing and Responding to Radicalization that can Lead to Violent Extremism and Terrorism in Central Asia  
29-31 March 2016  
Venue: Rixos Hotel  
Almaty, Kazakhstan**

<b>AGENDA DAY ONE: Tuesday, 29 March 2015 (half day) EXPERIENCE SHARING: THE SCOPE OF RADICALIZATION</b>		
<i>Methodology: This day will consist of formal presentations by country representatives with the goal of sharing relevant experiences.</i>		
13:30-14:00	Registration	
14:00-14:35	Welcoming statements by the hosts and organizers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Amb. Petko Draganov, Special Representative of the UN Secretary-General, Head of UNRCCA</li> <li>• Mr. Arslan Dandybayev, Head of Almaty representative office, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Kazakhstan</li> <li>• Mr. Norimasa Shimomura, UN Resident Coordinator/UNDP Resident Representative in Kazakhstan</li> <li>• Mr. Alexander Avanesov, UN Resident Coordinator/UNDP Resident Representative in Kyrgyzstan</li> <li>• Mr. Kamen Velichkov, Minister Plenipotentiary, Head of Political, Press and Information Section, EU Delegation to Kazakhstan</li> <li>• Ms. Cecilia de Sodre, Political Affairs Officer, CTITF</li> </ul>
14:35-14:40	Presentation of agenda and methodology	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mr. George Gavrilis, Consultant to CTITF/UNRCCA</li> </ul>
<b>Theme 1: The Scope of Radicalization in Central Asia</b>		
14:40-15:40	Brief presentations (12 minutes) by Central Asian representatives on the questions: What do we know about radicalization and recruitment processes in Central Asia? What don't we know?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mr. Zhanat Saipoldayev, Head of Anti-Terrorist Center, Committee of National Security, Kazakhstan</li> <li>• Mr. Serik Abiev, Head of Department, Anti-Terrorism Center, State Committee of National Security, Kyrgyzstan</li> <li>• Mr. Sharif Qurbonzoda, Head of Department, Prosecutor General's Office, Tajikistan</li> <li>• Mr. Bayly Seyilov, Member of the Parliament of Turkmenistan</li> </ul>

15:40 – 16:00	Photo opportunity and coffee break	
16:00-16:15	Experiences from Afghanistan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mr. Farhad Basharyar, Desk Officer for Counter-Terrorism, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Afghanistan</li> </ul>
16:15-17:15	Brief remarks (5-7 minutes) from UN and regional organizations on what they have learned about the scope and nature of radicalization and how this knowledge informs their work in Central Asia.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mr. Guenther Sablattnig, Adviser to the EU Counter-Terrorism Coordinator</li> <li>• Mr. Askar Yerkinov, Executive Committee of RCTS, SCO</li> <li>• Mr. Anton Arefyev, Deputy Head of Analytical Department, Anti-Terrorism Center, CIS</li> <li>• Ms. Elaine Conkievich, UN Women Representative in Central Asia</li> <li>• Mr. Wolfgang Nikolaus, Counter Terrorism Adviser, OSCE Tajikistan</li> <li>• Ms. Elisabeth Oliveira da Costa, Regional Representative, OHCHR</li> <li>• Mr. Zachary Taylor, Regional Conflict Prevention Advisor, UNDP-Istanbul</li> <li>• Ms. Ashita Mittal, Regional Representative for Central Asia, UNODC</li> </ul>
17:15-18:00	Guided group discussions: Participants add their insights and engage in guided dialogue.	Moderator: Mr. George Gavrilis

18:30	Dinner reception for participants
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<b>DAY TWO: Wednesday, 30 March 2016</b> <b>GUIDED DISCUSSIONS:</b> <b>PREVENTING AND COUNTERING RADICALIZATION</b> <b>ADDRESSING VULNERABILITIES IN COMMUNITIES</b>		
<p><i>Methodology: This day will consist of a number of thematic discussion sessions. For each session, discussions will be led by a moderator and are open to all participants for brief interventions. The goal of the sessions is to identify good practices and gaps. Participants are all encouraged to contribute to the discussions.</i></p>		
9:00-10:30	<b>Theme 2: Vulnerable Groups:</b> Under what circumstances are youth and other groups vulnerable to radicalization? What have Central Asian countries done to date to address the issue?	Moderator: Ms. Sabine Freizer, Policy Advisor, UN Women
10:30-11:30	<b>Theme 3: Responses:</b> What can we learn from experts, religious leaders and civil society organizations about how to reach and empower young women and men more effectively and enhance counter-radicalization programs? How can relevant government institutions and civil society work together?	Moderator: Jamal Frontbek Kyzy (Ms.), Chairperson, Mutakalim, Kyrgyzstan
<b>11:30-11:45 Coffee Break</b>		

11:45-13:00	<b>Theme 3: Responses (continued):</b> How can we counter radical and extremist messages on the internet and social media?	Presentation and moderated discussion: Ms. Humera Khan, Executive Director, Muflehun
<b>13:00-14:00 Lunch</b>		
14:00-15:30	<b>Theme 3: Responses (continued):</b> What good practices can Central Asian states adopt? How can these practices be tailored to address different national and local contexts?	Presentation and moderated discussion: Mr. Patrick Lynch, Director of Capacity-Building Programs & Ms. Naida Chamilova, Program Manager, Hedayah
<b>15:30-15:45 Coffee Break</b>		
15:45-17:15	<b>Theme 4: Towards a Regional Response:</b> How can Central Asian states strengthen a regional approach to prevent radicalization that can lead to violent extremism?	Moderator: Mr. Anton Arefyev, Anti-Terrorism Center, CIS
17:15-18:00	<b>Summary of Day 1 &amp; 2:</b> Discussion of what we learned and how to use this knowledge to move forward with reference to the Joint Plan of Action	Moderated by UNRCCA & CTITF
<b>DAY THREE: Thursday, 31 March 2016</b> <b>CAPACITY BUILDING: GOOD PRACTISES ON WORKING WITH GOVERNMENTS AND COMMUNITIES TOWARDS THE PREVENTION OF VIOLENT EXTREMISM</b>		
<i>Methodology: This day will consist of presentations, group discussions, case studies and exercises aimed at: raising awareness of new approaches and concrete tools; and identifying programs that can complement existing efforts in the region.</i>		
09:00-10:45	<b>Interactive Session 1:</b> Developing strategic governmental responses to radicalization that can lead to violent extremism	Experts: Mr. Patrick Lynch and Ms. Naida Chamilova, Hedayah
<b>10:45-11:00 Coffee Break</b>		
11:00-13:00	<b>Interactive Session 2:</b> Developing messaging and narratives to counter radicalization and recruitment of youth on the internet and social media	Expert: Ms. Humera Khan, Muflehun
<b>13:00-14:00 Lunch</b>		
14:00-14:30	<b>Wrap-up session:</b> Discussion of next steps and actionable recommendations	Moderated by UNRCCA and CTITF
14:30-15:00	<b>Closing Remarks and Evaluation</b>	Final remarks by the representatives of CTITF, UNRCCA, Kazakhstan, and EU
<b>15:00 Coffee Reception</b>		