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SUBSIDIARY BODIES OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL***

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Mr. President,

It is my distinct honor to register Jamaica's support for this innovative, integrated and coordinated approach outlined by the Chairman of the United Nations Counter-Terrorism Committees, which will undoubtedly serve to advance our common efforts to prevent non-proliferation and to deepen our fight against terrorism.

Without question, Jamaica as well as other Member States from the Caribbean Community, remain committed and resolute in meeting our obligations, particularly in relation to Resolutions 1267, 1373 and 1540 which together constitute the cornerstone of our continuing global efforts to prevent both non-state and state actors from acquiring and using weapons of mass destruction, as well as engaging in asymmetric warfare, including terrorism. We take these obligations seriously, always mindful of the fact that the maintenance of peace and security is indeed a shared responsibility and one that must be fully assumed by all within the international system.

Since 2009, CARICOM has demonstrated its full embrace of this reality with the institution of a region-wide initiative, aimed at fully implementing United Nations Security Council Resolution 1540. This mechanism, devised and constituted within the Caribbean Community, has allowed CARICOM Members to effectively meet their responsibilities under the Resolution and advance national and regional non-proliferation activities in unprecedented ways.

It is important, however, to recognize that the genesis of this regional implementation initiative came as a result of CARICOM Members' recognition of the inherent challenges in both devising national programs and activities which would allow states to meet the necessary legal and enforcement obligations ensuing from the Resolution, as well as to appropriate the necessary human and financial resources that would stem from this effort. Member States recognized that a regional 1540 implementation programme that would leverage the considerable security cooperation that has existed within the region, constituted the most logical and efficient way to undertake these priorities.

Mr. President, the submission by the Chairman of the CTC fully demonstrates an appreciation of this innovative thinking, one which will undoubtedly allow states like ours in the Caribbean Community with limited resources, to better coordinate important non-proliferation mandates such as UNSCR 1540 with other Security Council obligations.

The submission also fully takes on board views recently expressed in this Council by the Delegation of Australia which has been clear and constant in its assertion that advancing non-proliferation goals cannot be piecemeal, but should be practical, coordinated and coherent, and indeed appropriately linked to achieving Security Council aims in relation to terrorism and the implementation of relevant sanctions.

In this vein, Jamaica would also like to recognize the Government of Australia for assistance provided to CARICOM in its efforts to leverage its existing 1540 Implementation Programme to

now include initiatives that will be also counter-terrorism focused, even as it continues to meet core obligations relating to non-proliferation.

We would further like to register our full support for the CTC and the United Nations Counter-Terrorism Executive Directorate (CTED) as it fashions practical approaches and mechanisms to ensure that States meet their obligations under Resolution 1373 and fully undertake relevant legislative, regulatory and administrative action to implement the sanctions regimes, even while meeting important non-proliferation goals as required by Resolution 1540.

Mr. President, it is through this concerted and innovative joint effort that we will continue to make meaningful and measurable gains in preventing proliferation and in availing Member States with the necessary tools to effectively confront terrorism in a comprehensive, coordinated and indeed successful way.