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**Mr. Chairman,**

1. At the outset, I would like to congratulate you on your election as Chairman of the sixth Committee assure you of our full support and cooperation in discharge of your responsibility. I am confident that under your able leadership the work of this Committee will be guided to a successful conclusion.

2. My delegation aligns itself with the Statements delivered by the distinguished representatives of the Islamic Republic of Iran and Cambodia on behalf of the Non-Aligned Movement and ASEAN respectively.

**Mr. Chairman,**

3. Acts of terrorism anywhere lead not only to the loss of innocent lives and injuries but they also impede social and economic development of nations, create a climate of fear and injustice in societies. We, therefore, condemn all act of terrorism. As a peace loving nation, we are, therefore, making every effort at the national, regional and international level to prevent, combat and suppress this common threat in the fight against terrorism in all forms and manifestations.

4. At the international level, the Lao PDR is committed to working with the international community in to counter terrorism. Today, the Lao PDR is a State party to 13 of international conventions on counter-terrorism. In addition, we are also actively undertaking the obligations under the relevant United Nations Security Council Resolutions.

5. At the regional level, the Lao PDR is working closely with fellow ASEAN Member countries and its dialogue partners. The Lao PDR is a party to the ASEAN Convention on Counter Terrorism, and together with its fellow ASEAN Member Countries adopted various joint declarations on combating international terrorism and joint statements with the dialogue partners. The Lao PDR is also a member of the Asia-Pacific Group for the anti-money laundering.

6. At the national level, the Lao PDR in cooperation with UNODC and, other International Organizations conducted workshops and seminars to promote awareness on international Counter-Terrorism Conventions amongst the Lao officials, judges, prosecutors, lawyers as well as the members of National Assembly, with a view to

ensuring that all Lao government sectors such as executive, judicial and legislative organs are aware of their roles and duties so that they can contribute to the implementation of the relevant international conventions on counter-terrorism.

**I thank you. Mr. Chairman.**