

## **UNITED NATIONS OFFICE OF COUNTER-TERRORISM AND THE LEAGUE OF ARAB STATES SECRETARIAT GENERAL SIGN AGREEMENT TO STRENGTHEN COOPERATION AND COORDINATION ON COUNTER-TERRORISM**

### **PRESS RELEASE**

New York, 27 September 2024 – The United Nations Office of Counter-Terrorism (UNOCT) and the League of Arab States - Secretariat General signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) today to strengthen their partnership in countering terrorism and preventing violent extremism conducive to terrorism.

The MoU establishes a framework for cooperation between both entities over the next five years, and will be put into practice through regular consultations, discussions and events on issues related to countering terrorism; information exchange, including on capacity-building initiatives to strengthen counter-terrorism responses, at global, regional and national levels; identifying, collecting and sharing of good practices on issues of common interest.

The MoU was signed by **Ambassador Hossam Zaki, Assistant Secretary-General and Chief of Staff of the Secretary-General of the League of Arab States**, and **Mr. Vladimir Voronkov, United Nations Under-Secretary-General for Counter-Terrorism**, during a bilateral meeting on the margins of the 79th session of the United Nations General Assembly High-Level Week.

The agreement with the League of Arab States is a key contribution to UNOCT's strategy to broaden and deepen its partnerships with regional organizations. In light of the ever-evolving threats of terrorism and violent extremism, such partnerships serve to inform the Office's policy work and programmatic activities and integrate multi-disciplinary approaches to countering terrorism.

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