OSCE Transnational Threats Department Action against Terrorism Unit

The OSCE's Partnership in Preventing and Countering Terrorism

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Strategic Document Guiding the OSCE's Action against Terrorism

- OSCE Consolidated Framework For The Fight Against Terrorism adopted in December 2012
- 1. Highlights operational principles and identifies the strategic focus of the OSCE's counter-terrorism role to guide future activities. It aims at enhancing the profile and added value of the OSCE's contribution to the global efforts to eradicate terrorism and at facilitating communication and strengthening co-operation with key partners and organizations.
- 2. Leading role of the United Nations in the international efforts against terrorism and calling for the implementation of the global framework for the fight against terrorism.



Eliminating Conditions Conducive to the Spread of Terrorism – OSCE Region/Security Community

- Addressing negative socio-economic factors
- Strengthening democratic institutions and the rule of law
- Combating intolerance and discrimination and promoting mutual respect
- Preventing violent conflicts and promoting peaceful settlement of disputes



Strategic Areas for Enhancing Co-operation and Building State Capacity (1)

- Implementation of the international legal framework and co-operation in criminal matters related to terrorism
- Violent extremism and radicalization that lead to terrorism
- Use of the Internet for terrorist purposes
- Dialogue and co-operation, in particular publicprivate partnerships (PPPs)
- Travel document security
- Financing of terrorism
- Implementation of UNSCR 1540 (2004) on nonproliferation of WMD



Other Areas for Enhancing Co-operation and Building State Capacity (2)

- Improving the security of international transportation, especially container and supply chain security;
- Enhancing critical energy infrastructure protection against terrorist attacks;
- Preventing the illicit trade in small arms an light weapons;
- Promoting solidarity with victims of terrorism



Guiding Principles for the Delivery of OSCE Anti-Terrorism Efforts

Internal Co-ordination

OSCE Secretariat; Transnational Threats Department: Action against Terrorism Unit (ATU), Strategic Police Matters Unit (SPMU), Borders Unit

External Co-operation

Other OSCE Executive Structures, United Nations, International organizations; Regional and sub-regional organizations

National Ownership

State authorities, private sector, civil society, media



Current Efforts in Strategic Areas (1)

Strengthening a rule-of-law based criminal justice response to terrorism

- Implementation of the universal anti-terrorism instruments with UNODC
 - -- current focus on the preventive measures foreseen in the convention on suppressing terrorist bombings;
- Training module for law enforcement officers on human rights in counterterrorism investigations with ODIHR

Strengthening travel document security

- Issuance of travel documents, electronic passports and biometric features; detecting forged travel documents;
- Connecting with INTERPOL's databases;
- Border Management Staff College Dushanbe!!



Current Efforts in Strategic Areas (2)

Countering Internet use for terrorist purposes

- Completed 2012 a series of 4 online fora;
- Supported UNODC in developing its *Technical Assistance Tool on the Use of the Internet for Terrorist purposes;*
- OSCE Representative on Freedom of the Media

VERLT – Countering Violent Extremism

- Expert roundtables with ODIHR;
- Guidebook on community policing approaches
- Series of 12 national seminars to promote a multi-dimensional understanding of VERLT
- Field VERLT Programmes;



Current Efforts in Strategic Areas (3)

Suppressing the financing of terrorism

- Improving legal frameworks developing partnerships with reporting entities from the private sector;
- Handbook on money laundering and terrorism financing;
- Project to raise awareness of non-profit organizations regarding abuse by terrorists

Non-proliferation

- Assisting OSCE participating States with the development of national action plans and strategies to implement UN Security Council resolution 1540



Thank you for your attention!

We look forward to hearing from you how we can further collaborate with each other to enhance efforts to counter terrorism.

COMMENTS/ QUESTIONS?

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