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Mr. President, dear colleagues,

Thank you for convening this session about the “Threat of Terrorism in Latin-America and the Caribbean”. This is a region that has also experienced the impact of this menace.

Today I would like to start with the following question to the experts:

“What actions can be taken in Latin America and the Caribbean, with the support of the United Nations system, to prevent and eradicate the actions of terrorist groups that receive support and refuge from a neighboring country, attempting against peace and the stability of the region?”

Also, I would like to make the following comments:

1. Colombia rejects and condemns terrorism in all its forms and demonstrations.

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2. In the current global context, international conflicts, migratory crises, and the growing power of transnational criminal organizations provide fertile ground for terrorist organizations to diversify their methods, logistical corridors, and their sources of financing.

In this regard, our call is (i) to study in-depth how these links develop in practice, (ii) how to improve the response of our institutions, and (iii) how to achieve better results.

4. The implementation of the United Nations Global Counter-Terrorism Strategy should involve a set of actions that require the articulation of various strategies and actors to defeat this threat.

5. We need to continue strengthening the capacities of our States in the fields related to judicial and prosecution capabilities; developing national strategies; enhancing measures to prevent and suppress terrorism financing; and improving the channels of technical assistance and international cooperation.

Thank you.