#### **POLICY GUIDANCE PG.1**

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# Operational conclusions for policy guidance regarding technical assistance

Drawing on the paper prepared by CTED and its recommendations and based on the discussions in the Committee, the Committee has agreed the following:

### Identify needs and pursue dialogue with States, through

- a) establishing contacts points in missions and/or capitals, including in States visited
- b) engaging with States about their needs while preparing needs assessments in order to facilitate agreement on needs, including helping States identify and prioritize areas that are the highest vulnerability and on which technical assistance will have the greatest impact, including as a part of the CTC/CTED visits, as appropriate.
- c) engaging with the States who may disagree with the needs identified by CTED to seek mutual agreement on the prioritized needs
- d) following up when needs have been identified to encourage States to seek assistance in these areas
- e) taking into account information from donors/providers, including international, regional and sub-regional organizations, and recipient States on previous assistance relevant for furthering implementation of resolution 1373, including where appropriate, assistance with a view to enhancing institutions and strengthening the rule of law, in the process of identifying needs
- f) identifying during CTC/CTED visits States which have achieved a high level of implementation in particular areas, and urging these States to offer assistance to neighbours or other States needing assistance in implementation of resolution 1373 (2001)
- g) taking into account information provided and requests for assistance made to the other relevant Security Council Committees (or their expert teams) regarding counter-terrorism
- h) preparing a strategy for making most effective use of CTED's regional and technical experts in strengthening the assessment of needs and ties to donors, including a strengthened analytical framework

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## Strengthen relations with the donor community/providers through

- establishing contact points with all relevant donors/providers, including States, international, regional and sub-regional organizations to allow direct dialogues and closer relations, including developing and enhancing relations with other parts of the UN family or system, such as UNODC, UNDP, specialized agencies etc.
- j) in presenting draft needs assessments for discussion in the Sub Committees, including information about current technical assistance activities and any potential technical assistance providers considering activity,
- k) taking into account information about previously provided assistance in analyzing States' needs, recognizing that it is beyond the mandate of CTC/CTED to seek to be directly involved in assessing the effectiveness of assistance provided, unless specifically requested to do so
- l) cooperating closely with the G8-led CTAG consistent with the United Nations' important role in the facilitation of technical assistance.
- m) arranging an informal forum for coordination/exchange between relevant donors, including CTAG, if appropriate, as well as those who do not participate in CTAG, (and States with needs)

#### Strengthen the Committee's 'switchboard' function, through

- n) seeking to create an overview of the CT assistance provided to the various States with needs to shed light on areas with gaps and limit duplication
- o) engaging with the local UN Resident Coordinators, when appropriate, in States in need of assistance in the process of identifying needs and during further dialogue with States
- p) identifying particular sources of expertise among Member States and encouraging the use of such expertise, as appropriate
- q) identifying funding sources, including for addressing equipment needs
- r) presenting to the Committee a proposal for revisiting the Matrix (e.g. into a database) to ensure that the CTC has an advanced and constructive tool that makes a strong contribution for users. This proposal should take into account feedback from the target group/users and include an element of measuring customer feedback

## Provide for continued discussion in the Committee, through

- s) presenting to the Committee a quarterly status report on how its efforts to facilitate assistance to strengthen State capacity to implement resolution 1373 translates into improved implementation of the resolution
- t) reporting back to the relevant Sub Committee on any problems encountered or where CTC member States can help, or where any other issues of relevance to implementation of resolution 1373 are raised