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Letter dated 2 January 2002 from the Chairman of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism addressed to the President of the Security Council

The Counter-Terrorism Committee has received the attached report from Uzbekistan, submitted pursuant to paragraph 6 of resolution 1373 (2001) (see annex).

I should be grateful if you could arrange for this letter and its annex to be circulated as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Jeremy **Greenstock**Chairman
Counter-Terrorism Committee

Annex

Letter dated 27 December 2001 from the Permanent Representative of Uzbekistan to the United Nations addressed to the Chairman of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism

On instructions from my Government, I have the honour to enclose a report from the Republic of Uzbekistan to the Counter-Terrorism Committee pursuant to paragraph 6 of Security Council resolution 1373 (2001) (see enclosure).

I should be grateful if you would have the text of the present letter and the enclosed report circulated as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Alisher **Vohidov** Permanent Representative

Enclosure

Report of the Republic of Uzbekistan to the Counter-Terrorism Committee pursuant to paragraph 6 of resolution 1373 (2001) of 28 September 2001

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Operative paragraph 1

Subparagraphs (b) and (c)

The criminal legislation of the Republic of Uzbekistan establishes criminal liability for the commission of the following crimes:

Chapter 8. Crimes against the peace and security of mankind: art. 154 (Mercenarism), art. 155 (Terrorism) and art. 156 (Incitement to national, racial or religious hatred).

Chapter 9. Crimes against the Republic of Uzbekistan: art. 158 (Attacks against the President of the Republic of Uzbekistan), art. 159 (Attacks against the constitutional order of the Republic of Uzbekistan) and art. 161 (Sabotage).

Chapter 17. Crimes against public security: art. 242 (Organization of a criminal association), art. 243 (Legalization of the proceeds of criminal activities), art. 244-1 (Preparation and distribution of materials containing a threat to public security and public order), art. 244-2 (Creation or direction of or participation in religious extremist, separatist, fundamentalist or other banned organizations), art. 247 (Illegal possession of firearms, ammunition, explosive substances or explosive devices), art. 251 (Illegal possession of virulent or toxic substances), art. 252 (Illegal possession of radioactive materials), art. 255-1 (Preparation, manufacture, stockpiling, acquisition, transmission, maintenance, illegal possession and other activities involving bacteriological, chemical and other types of weapons of mass destruction).

The procedure for the freezing (seizure) of bank accounts and deposits is regulated by the Code of Criminal Procedure of the Republic in accordance with art. 290 (Seizure of property) of the Code of Criminal Procedure of the Republic of Uzbekistan.

Operative paragraph 2

Subparagraphs (a) and (b)

- Specialized organs are responsible for the registration and protection of depots and armouries of weapons and ammunition, and for control of their use and storage;
- In the conduct of border control of persons, means of transport and freight crossing the State frontier, measures are taken with a view to detecting weapons, explosive substances and instruments of sabotage, including the use of surveillance dogs and special technical facilities;

- The customs authorities, in accordance with the powers assigned to them (Act of the Republic of Uzbekistan on the State Customs Service; the Customs Code of the Republic of Uzbekistan; and other legislative acts) and in the prescribed manner exercise customs control of the baggage and hand-carried articles of citizens crossing the customs border as well as of goods and vehicles crossing the customs border;
- Special attention is given to detecting contraband weapons and ammunition; explosive, toxic and radioactive substances; narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances and precursors; and printed and graphic materials and publications intended to undermine the State and public order, violate territorial integrity, political independence and State sovereignty, or containing propaganda for war, terrorism, violence or racism and its manifestations;
- In 2000, the Act of the Republic of Uzbekistan on the War against Terrorism was adopted. It provides for measures and powers to counter the forces of international terrorism;
- In the context of the above Act, recommendations were elaborated and submitted to the competent departmental units with the view to identifying persons involved in terrorist activities, with an enumeration of their characteristics;
- Measures are in effect to avert, detect and intercept attempts to effect the illegal transport at crossing points on the State frontier of the Republic of Uzbekistan of narcotic drugs, psychotropic and explosive substances, explosive devices, munitions, weapons and ammunition, nuclear, biological, chemical or other types of weapons of mass destruction, or materials and equipment which could be used in committing terrorist acts, and additional powers are exercised in accordance with the legislation;
- Activities are regulated by intergovernmental and interdepartmental agreements on matters related to the war against illicit narcotic drugs, psychotropic substances and precursors, and other violations of customs laws.

Subparagraphs (c) and (d)

Activities in the context of the above paragraphs are carried out in accordance with the Act of the Republic of Uzbekistan on the War against Terrorism and with the provisions of the various United Nations conventions and protocols.

Subparagraph (g)

- With the view to preventing the crossing of the State frontier of the Republic of Uzbekistan by persons who are members of terrorist organizations or are cited in connection with terrorist activities in the territories of other States on the basis of information received from the National Centre of Interpol in Tashkent, the persons concerned are registered at crossing points on the State frontier, and measures are taken to detect and prevent the entry into and exit from the Republic of Uzbekistan of the persons concerned;
- Taking into account the efforts of terrorists to seize aircraft and bearing in mind the tactics employed in the commission of terrorist acts, the Republic has elaborated supplementary measures (preservation and inspection regimes, etc.)

designed to reinforce measures ensuring a preservation regime in connection with airports, aircraft and communications.

Operative paragraph 3

Subparagraphs (a), (b) and (c)

- Exchange of information among the services of foreign States is effected in the context of existing agreements and treaties;
- A specialized interdepartmental databank has been set up encompassing virtually all aspects of counter-terrorism throughout the Republic. A working meeting was held with competent officials and participants concerned with this matter with the view to solving the basic aspects of the functioning of the databank and other technical questions;
- Coordination with partners in other countries has been established. It is based on the exchange of information concerning unlawful activities of the leaders and active members of gangs; the joint elaboration of statutory acts and agreements relating to counter-terrorism; the conduct of coordinated operations to prevent a number of dangerous crimes, including illicit trafficking in narcotic drugs; and personnel training.

Subparagraph (d)

Uzbekistan is a party to all 12 United Nations conventions and protocols relating to the war against international terrorism.

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