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** The changes set out in the present addendum apply also to the programme budget for the biennium 2016-2017.



II. Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2018-2019

Programme 2 Political Affairs

1. Modifications to the biennial programme plan and priorities for the period 2016-2017 and for the period 2018-2019 are based on General Assembly resolution [71/291](#), whereby the Assembly decided to establish the Office of Counter-Terrorism in accordance with the competencies and functions set out in the report of the Secretary-General on the capability of the United Nations system to assist Member States in implementing the United Nations Global Counter-Terrorism Strategy ([A/71/858](#)). In line with the decision of the Assembly, the title of subprogramme 6, Counter-Terrorism Implementation Task Force, has been revised to Office of Counter-Terrorism and updated in the Strategy as detailed below.

Subprogramme 6 Office of Counter-Terrorism

Replacement of paragraph 2.14 of [A/69/6/Rev.1](#), relating to the biennial programme plan for the period 2016-2017

2. Substantive responsibility for this subprogramme is vested in the Office of Counter-Terrorism, which plays the central role in ensuring overall coordination and coherence in the counter-terrorism efforts of the United Nations system. The Office will support the efforts of Member States to implement all four pillars of the United Nations Global Counter-Terrorism Strategy by coordinating efforts of United Nations system entities that offer their experience and advice to Member States. The Office will enhance partnerships with Member States, relevant regional and subregional organizations and civil society to strengthen implementation of the Strategy and enhance access to assistance, information and good practices to that end. The Office will also address issues related to the overall United Nations response to global terrorism challenges.

Replacement of paragraph 2.14 of [A/71/6/Rev.1](#), relating to the biennial programme plan for the period 2018-2019

3. Substantive responsibility for this subprogramme is vested in the Office of Counter-Terrorism, which, under the leadership of its Under-Secretary-General, performs core secretariat functions to support the Counter-Terrorism Implementation Task Force in ensuring overall coordination and coherence in the counter-terrorism efforts of the United Nations system. The United Nations Counter-Terrorism Centre, within the Office, provides capacity-building assistance to Member States. The Office will continue to support the efforts of Member States to implement all four pillars of the United Nations Global Counter-Terrorism Strategy — (a) addressing conditions conducive to the spread of terrorism; (b) preventing and combating terrorism; (c) building the capacity of States to prevent and combat terrorism and strengthening the role of the United Nations system in this regard; and (d) ensuring respect for human rights and the rule of law as the fundamental basis of the fight against terrorism — by coordinating the efforts of United Nations system entities that offer their experience and advice to Member States. The Office will enhance partnerships with Member States, relevant regional and subregional organizations and civil society to strengthen implementation of the Strategy and enhance access to assistance, information and good practices to that

end. The Office will also address issues related to the overall United Nations response to global terrorism challenges.

4. The following resolution is proposed for addition to the list of legislative mandates under subprogramme 6.

Legislative mandates

Subprogramme 6

Office of Counter-Terrorism

General Assembly resolutions

[71/291](#) Strengthening the capability of the United Nations system to assist Member States in implementing the United Nations Global Counter-Terrorism Strategy
