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**The United Nations Office of Counter-Terrorism welcomes the adoption of the new Arab regional counter-terrorism strategy by the Arab Interior Ministers Council**

**Tunis, 2 March 2022** - The Arab Interior Ministers Council (AIMC) adopted a new Arab regional counter-terrorism strategy at its 39th annual session in Tunis today. This new strategy aims to support efforts to prevent and counter terrorism and violent extremism in the Arab region. It has been developed over the past three years by Arab Member States, with the technical support of the AIMC Secretariat and the United Nations Counter-Terrorism Centre (UNCCT) within the United Nations Office of Counter-terrorism (UNOCT)

Arab Member States specifically requested that the strategy conform with the United Nations Global Counter-Terrorism Strategy, which the United Nations General Assembly adopted by consensus in 2006. The strategy serves as an important tool to converge national and regional efforts to address terrorism and prevent violent extremism effectively and collectively. It further supports compliance with rule of law and human rights standards and provides a comprehensive set of guidelines to address the conditions conducive to the spread of terrorism, including through conflict resolution, developmental, socio-economic, and educational measures.

Following the Arab interior ministers' consensus adoption of the strategy, UNCCT/UNOCT will continue to work with the AIMC Secretariat to develop an implementation plan to support Arab Member States in operationalizing the strategy at the national and regional levels, through tailor-made capacity-building and policy support, and in line with national needs and regional priorities.

In addition to adopting the new regional strategy, the Arab Interior Ministers thanked UNCCT/UNOCT for its support and called on Member States to provide the necessary resources for implementation of the strategy.