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Republic of Guinea

Allow me first to express my deepest gratitude to the Saudi people and its Government for the warm welcome we received from this land of peace and the cradle of many civilizations.

In this occasion, His Excellency President of the Republic of Guinea and the African Union, Professor Alpha Condé, extends his brotherly greetings to his brother and friend His Highness King Salman Ibn Abdul-Aziz Al Saud and the Crown Prince Mohammed Bin Salman Al Saud.

We are all in the service of peace and building a world without violence. It is within this context that we have joined the fight against terrorism under the Islamic Military Counter Terrorism Coalition. Our goal is to rid our countries of any form of obscurity that could leads to the causes and development of terrorism.

We know, the fight against terrorism is a global matter. The role of the Islamic Military Counter Terrorism Coalition in this fight is extremely important, because it determines the commitment of our organization in our countries. Unfortunately, sometimes we are wrongly singled out to participate actively in the eradication of terrorism in all its forms not only in our geopolitical sphere but everywhere that requires our presence and expertise; because of terrorism and its imposition of a non-traditional war. Indeed, we are faced with the sophistication of arms and steady extremism, by which a person consciously makes the decision to die at the expense of innocence.

One of the main features of terrorism is that its' targets are global, regardless of development or the political and religious standing in any

given country. This is significant, because it makes the fight against terrorism an international responsibility that requires a unified strategy. However, to achieve success in the fight against terrorism, in addition to a unified strategy, the home front should promote a culture of citizenship and national consciousness. Through training and the fight against unemployment and social inequalities, we refuse terrorism the opportunity to take our people hostage.

One of the major concerns of terrorist movements is due to their attainment of weaponries, ammunition supplies and the ease of their logistics. Therefore, every effort to counter the illicit circulation of weapons, illegal migration, and the laundering of money and assets and cybercrime should be met with international cohesion.

For its part, Guinea, as it has done in the Republic of Mali (Mission Support in Mali), is decisively committed to any initiative that combats terrorism in all its forms. It is our duty as a nation to contribute to the spread of peace and global stability.

Thank you.