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“Workshop on Developing Strategies on Rehabilitation and Reintegration of FTF“

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Background Taking into consideration the conclusions from previous events organized by RACVIAC - Centre for Security Cooperation on the Implementation of UNSCR 2178, as well as the recommendations of the Annual OSCE-wide Counter-Terrorism Conference held in Bratislava in March 2019, in order to explore platforms that support co-operation and co-ordination between governments and civil society, for the implementation of UNSCR 2395 and 2396 and to raise awareness and share the best practices on this real challenge, RACVIAC - Centre for Security Cooperation in co-operation with the OSCE Mission to Bosnia and Herzegovina will organize a Workshop titled “*Workshop on Developing Strategies on Rehabilitation and Reintegration of FTF*“ . The main aim of this Workshop is to discuss the challenges, priorities, lessons learned in this area and how to facilitate the engagement of civil society organizations (NGOs) in the process of reintegration of the returning foreign fighters and their family members into their community during and after judicial proceedings, while respecting international human rights law that guarantees the rights on privacy.

Purpose and objectives To assess existing policies, programs and actors on the national, regional and international level as well as to discuss the challenges in relation to the role of civil society organizations, religious community, youth, and education system in the rehabilitation and reintegration of returnees (foreign terrorist fighters and their family members, especially children, who followed them to/from war zones). The objectives of this Workshop will be as follows:

- To explore the specific needs of the RACVIAC members in developing a national program that will address the issues related to rehabilitation and reintegration process of family members of FTF;
- To further encourage the confidence between governments and civil society organizations in establishing active and two-way dialogue to build trust and understanding;
- To assist RACVIAC members in their efforts to establish appropriate policies and action plans on the social reintegration of terrorist offenders to ensure that such programs are effectively bridging the gaps between custodial and non-custodial settings;

- To ensure an enabling institutional environment for rehabilitation by implementing fundamental reform measures in prison management and prisoner treatment;
- To debate perspectives in violent extremism and in ensuring the effective rehabilitation and reintegration of returning FTFs and their family members;
- To discuss and get proposals for drawing up an action plan with concrete ideas and activities that need to be implemented in the future.

Participation The expected participants will be government representatives (in the field of law enforcement especially), civil society, international organizations and academia.

Methodology The Workshop will consist of three sessions. The lecturers will address specific areas related to the topic. It is expected that lectures last not more than 25 minutes and presentations by participating delegations approx. 20 minutes (per delegation). The working language will be English with no translation provided.

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