



## African Parliamentary Union

### COMMUNIQUE

#### ON THE PARTICIPATION OF THE APU IN THE CONFERENCE ON TERRORISM IN AFRICA: CHALLENGES TO BE FACED AND URGENT MEASURES TO BE TAKEN

From March 30 to 31, 2022, His Excellency Ali Mohamed Houmed, Speaker of the National Assembly of Djibouti, Chairman of the Executive Committee of the African Parliamentary Union and Mr. Idi Gado Boubabcar, APU Secretary General, took part in Doha in Qatar, at the Conference on "*Understanding the terrorist threat in Africa: new challenges and necessary measures*", organized by the United Nations Office for the Fight against Terrorism and Violent Extremism in partnership with the African Parliamentary Union and the Shura of the State of Qatar

The Conference concluded with a call for a set of measures that contribute to the establishment of an effective counter-terrorism and prevention of violent extremism "CT&PVE" network of African parliamentarians. Here are the preliminary results:

- Under the leadership of the APU, an Africa Think Tank will be established to design concrete action plans for future engagement. This panel discussion will discuss thematic elements and sub-regional aspects, with a focus on national engagement, cross-fertilization and south-south cooperation, and the organization of parliamentary activities in Africa for the year 2022 and 2023.
- Parliamentary caravans will be set up at the national level to raise public awareness. These parliamentary caravans will hold dedicated parliamentary meetings and serve as communication mechanisms with the general public and the media.
- The Office of Parliamentary Engagement of UNOCT, in collaboration with APU, will also create a network of focal points for which official communication will be sent to nominate focal points and counterparts from parliaments for future communication with the Office of the UNOCT program on parliamentary engagement.

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