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التحالف الإسلامي العسكري لمحاربة الإرهاب
ISLAMIC MILITARY COUNTER TERRORISM COALITION



Kingdom of Morocco

In the Name of Allah, the Most Merciful the Most Compassionate
His Royal Highness Crown Prince Mohamed Bin Salman al Abdul-Aziz bin
al Saud

Honourable Ministers,
Esteemed Colleagues,
Ladies and gentlemen

The greetings of Islam, may the peace, mercy and blessings of Allah be
with you.

Allow me to extend my sincere thanks and appreciation to our sister
country, the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, led by the Custodian of the Two
Holy Mosques, King Salman bin Abdul-Aziz, for convening this important
meeting of the IMCTC Ministers of Defense Council. First, I would like to
express condemnation of the terrorist acts that occurred recently in the
Arab Republic of Egypt, the Kingdom of Morocco stands in solidarity to
confront this menace.

Royal Highness,

Our countries have sustained great efforts on political, military, security
and economic levels to confront this terrorism and its threat to the
security and stability of our region. This dangerous menace has effected
the international community, and distorts the image of Islam.

In 2015, Saudi Arabia announced the formation of the IMCTC, now in
November of 2017 we meet to mark its official launch. The Coalition will
strengthen the efforts of international cooperation to eradicate terrorism
and extremism. This meeting is evidence to our firm commitment to fight
all terrorist organizations that tamper with the region's security and
stability. It proves beyond reasonable doubt, our strong desire and

relentless efforts to achieve the Coalition's goal of uniting the efforts of all Member countries.

On this occasion, I would like to pay tribute on behalf of the Kingdom of Morocco for building the foundations of this Coalition, and the hard work attributed to defining its noble mission, goals and objectives. On this occasion, we congratulate ourselves for strengthening the Coalition by joining our sister countries who have significant experience in this field. We are confident that their consensus will be a valuable addition to the joint efforts in the fight against terrorism and maintaining international peace and security.

His Royal Highness,

The Kingdom of Morocco, under the leadership of His Majesty King Mohammed VI, Supreme Commander and Chief of General Staff of the Royal Armed Forces (FAR), will support its Coalition brothers in view of its accumulated experience in the fight against extremism and terrorism. We are forward-looking to the multidimensional approach to combat the thoughts and ideas of extremist organizations, as well as success in dismantling terrorist cells.

I take this opportunity to reaffirm our continuous solidarity with the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia in defending its sovereignty and territorial integrity, as well as providing its full support to all measures taken by Saudi Arabia in the face of the risks that might threaten its security and stability. I also reaffirm Morocco's full readiness to support our brethren, the Saudi Arabian authorities in their attempts to foil the attempts of evil forces that wish to harm the security and stability of the region and the sanctity of Muslim holy sites.

In Conclusion, I would like to reiterate my sincere thanks and appreciation to Saudi Arabia, for its leadership and people, for its warm reception, hospitality and excellent organization. We ask Allah Almighty to grant us the best of success in all our endeavours.

The greeting of Islam, may the peace, mercy and blessings of Allah be with you,