

Counter-Terrorism Executive Directorate (CTED)

The recognition of the strategic importance of political missions' convening power in addressing transnational threats is not confined to the UN's field-based SPMs. The United Nations Security Council's Counter-Terrorism Executive Directorate – a New York-based body created as a Special Political Mission in Resolution 1535 (2004) to assist the Counter-Terrorism Committee (CTC) in its work to implement Resolution 1373 (2001) – has placed increasing emphasis on convening groups of regional and functional actors to build shared responses to terrorist threats. This has included five special meetings of the CTC with regional organizations since 2003; recurring regional workshops for prosecutors, judges and counterterrorism officials in South Asia; and a regional discussion of border management in East Africa.