UN Capacity Building Initiatives Supporting Member States

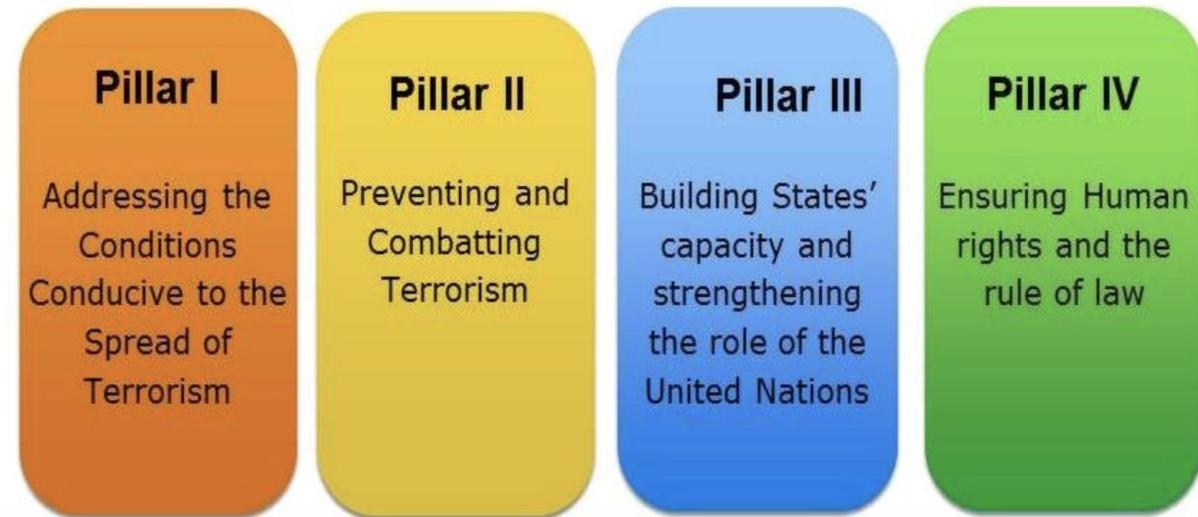

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UN Global Counter-Terrorism Strategy

The UN Global Counter-Terrorism Strategy is a unique global instrument to enhance national, regional and international efforts to counter-terrorism. Adopted in 2006, all UN Member States agreed for the first time to a common strategic and operational approach to fighting terrorism.

The Strategy sends a clear message that terrorism is unacceptable in all its forms and expressions and takes practical steps to prevent and combat terrorism.

Those reasonable steps include measures ranging from strengthening state capacity to counter terrorist threats to better coordinating the UN System's counter-terrorism activities

UN Global Counter-Terrorism Strategy

Pillar I	Pillar II	Pillar III	Pillar IV
Addressing the Conditions Conducive to the Spread of Terrorism	Preventing and Combatting Terrorism	Building States' capacity and strengthening the role of the United Nations	Ensuring Human rights and the rule of law

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Programme Mandate and Objectives

The **UN Security Council** emphasized the importance of addressing issues relating to **BSM** as a key component in **countering terrorism** and stemming the flow of **FTFs** through resolutions **1373 (2001), 1540 (2004), 2178 (2014), 2309 (2016), 2322 (2016), 2396 (2017), and 2482 (2019)**

- Providing thematic expertise to Member States, regional and/or sub-regional bodies in developing and implementing comprehensive border management strategies and action plans which incorporate counter-terrorism measures and FTF elements

- Enhancing the capacities of Member States to address challenges and emerging threats within all modes of cross-border transportation

- Development and dissemination of reference material and guidance tools including modules on cross-border travel cycle pertaining to air, maritime, rail and bus travel relating to both people and cargo

- Promotion and incorporation of Gender and Human Rights dimensions

- Sustainability through leveraging partnerships with training institutions; national ownership; Curicula development; ToT programming and ongoing mentoring

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Border Security and Management (BSM)

Geographical Coverage

Key Partners

- **Global Compact BMLE WG Entities:** CTED, UNODC, WCO, ICAO, OHCHR, INTERPOL, IMO, IATA, IOM

- **Cooperative partnerships established with**: IOM, IGAD-SSP, NAUSS

- **Regional and Sub-Regional organizations:** EU, OSCE FRONTEX, OAS, AU, CARICOM-IMPACS, GCTF, NATO COE-DAT

- **Other entities:** Biometrics Institute, Stimson Center, ISS, Private Sector (WBSC)

Good Practices in the Area of BSM in CT

The GCTF Good Practices in the Area of Border Security and Management in the Context of Counter-Terrorism and Stemming the Flow of Foreign Terrorist Fighters

Also note:

➤ **The Hague-Marrakech Memorandum**
on Good Practices for a More Effective Response to the FTFs Phenomenon

➤ **The New York Memorandum** + **2021 Addendum**
on Good Practices for Interdicting Terrorist Travel

➤ **UNSC Madrid Guiding Principles + 2018 Addendum**
A practical tool for Member States to stem the flow of foreign terrorist fighters/ + Maritime domain

Good Practice 1

Enhance intra-agency cooperation

Good Practice 2

Enhance inter-agency cooperation

Good Practice 3

Enhance international cooperation

Good Practice 4

Develop and establish comprehensive remote border area surveillance programs

Good Practice 5

Engage with and empower border communities as key contributors in border security and management

Good Practice 6

Develop and implement Border Community Policing programs

Good Practice 7

Develop and implement BSM information exchange programs and mechanisms

Good Practice 8

Establish Border Cooperation Centers

Good Practice 9

Nominate and assign Border Liaison Officers

Good Practice 10

Conduct joint and coordinated cross-border patrols, as well as joint multiagency and interdisciplinary operation exercises

Good Practice 11

Define parameters for cross-border operational engagement

Good Practice 12

Conduct effective risk analysis assessments

Good Practice 13

Create National Border Management Strategies and Action Plans
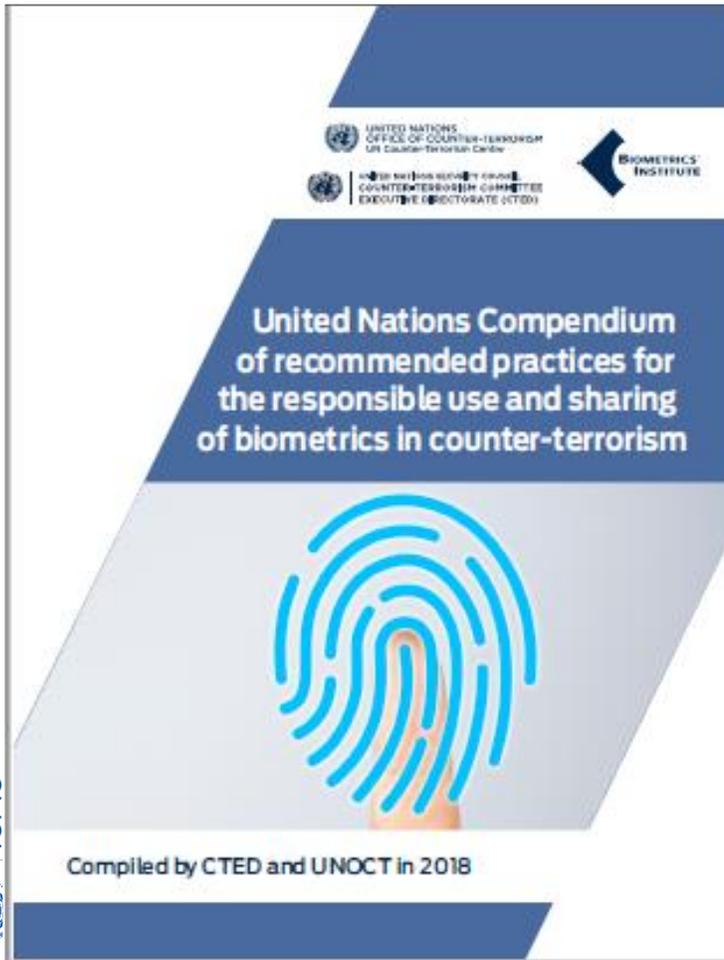
Good Practice 14

Establish Joint Border Crossing Points

Good Practice 15

Identify corruption as a serious risk for effective and robust BSM

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Responsible use and sharing of biometrics

UNCCT jointly with UNCTED and in collaboration with the Biometrics Institute (UK) developed the
UN Compendium on Recommended Practices for the Responsible Use and Sharing of Biometrics in Counter-Terrorism
as a technical tool to assist Member States

- Overview of biometric technology and identity management

- Government and regulatory requirements

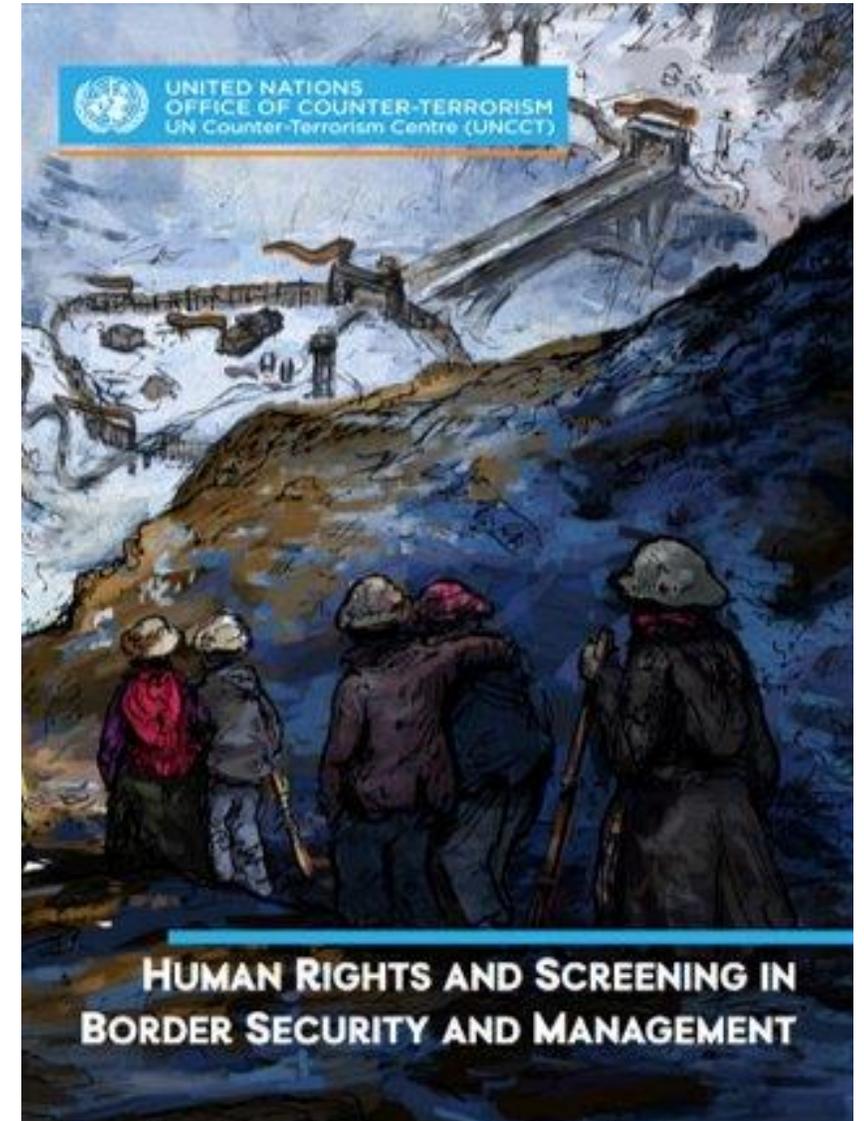- Counter-Terrorism biometric systems and their maintenance

Download the Compendium   - Available in English, French, Russian, Spanish, Chinese, Arabic

Human Rights Handbook

Handbook on Human Rights and Screening in Border Security and Management

- Overarching HR principles
- Human Rights guidance on thematic issues at the policy level
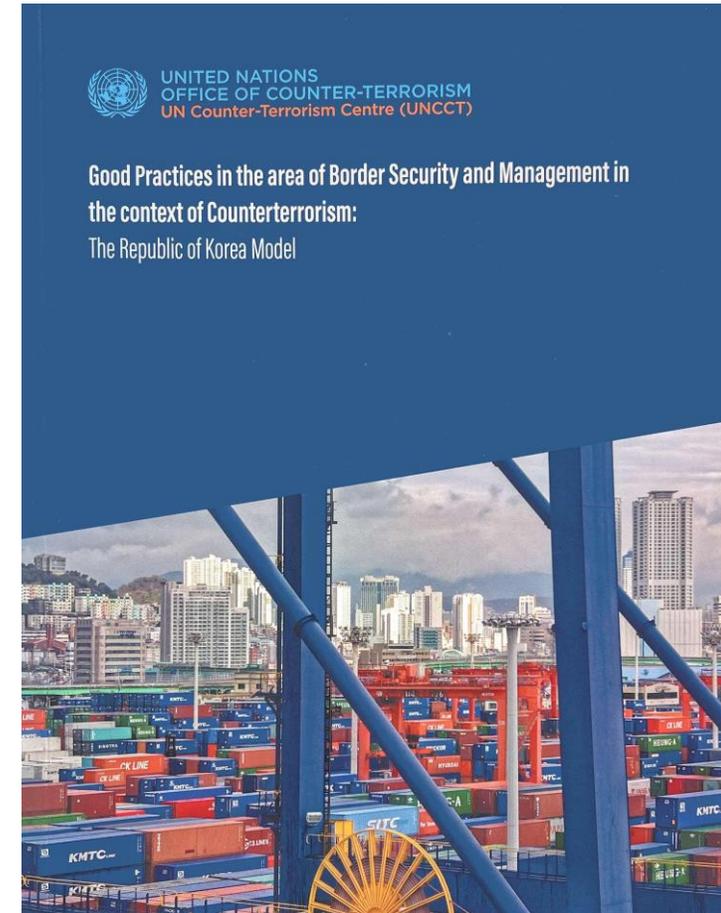- Human Rights guidance on specific screening practices

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Good Practices as a response to Covid 19

UNCCT-Republic of Korea Initiative to expand the UNCCT Border Security and Management Good Practices in response to COVID-19

To build upon the model proven in practice and assist to relevant authorities to:

- Identify BSM legal framework and operational procedures and main CT challenges

- Identify the extraordinary measures and operational procedures adopted at borders in response to the COVID19 pandemic in the CT context

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Good Practices in the area of Border Security and Management in the context of Counterterrorism:
The Republic of Korea Model

Program Office for Counter-Terrorism and Training in Africa

- Currently developing a range of complete multi-level training programs (from initial to advanced), including curricula, experts' training, training evaluation and certification. They will include several Counter-Terrorism related subjects tailored to meet the needs of the beneficiary countries

- Special attention will be given to the development of Guidance Manuals that will support national Law Enforcement Academies to replicate and consolidate knowledge

- Office will support and host existing and ongoing short-term programs and projects on border management among others

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