## JOINT DECLARATION ON TERRORISM BETWEEN THE REPUBLIC OF TURKEY AND THE REPUBLIC OF INDIA

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On the occasion of the visit of the President of the Republic of Turkey to India, both sides: Recognising that terrorism poses a grave threat to global peace and security; Noting that the forces of terrorism are nourished by extremist ideologies;

Stressing that terrorism should not be associated with any religion, nationality, civilization or ethnic group;

Recognising further that terrorism seeks to weaken, in particular, democratic societies and polities that are based on the rule of law and committed to inclusive growth;

Denouncing those who sponsor, abet and instigate terrorism and provide them safe havens;

Affirming their common commitment to fight terrorism and recognising that their counter-terrorism efforts constitute an important part of the international community's efforts to eradicate terrorism;

Calling upon the international community to comply with all the provisions of international counter-terrorism conventions and protocols as well as other related international instruments and strengthen international cooperation in this regard;

Recognising the need for the conclusion of the Comprehensive Convention on International Terrorism as a vital component of the international legal framework in the global struggle against terrorism; calling on the international community to conclude the Convention without further delay;

Decided to enhance their cooperation in this field;

To this end, their officials have been tasked to work towards developing an action plan with timelines and specific measures. For this purpose, the officials will take into account the existing structures of cooperation such as the Joint Working Group against Terrorism;

Agreed to work together and with other like-minded States for the finalization of the Comprehensive Convention on International Terrorism at the earliest.

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**Joint Statements** 

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