

In conclusion, Mr. Chairman, the authors of L.2* are convinced that it is essential that nothing be done this year to undermine the renewed determination of the international community to prevent and eliminate the scourge of terrorism and to punish its perpetrators. Whatever the causes in the name of which terrorism brings about the death and destruction of innocent men, women and children, it cannot be excused or tolerated; it must be combatted. The authors of L.2* are firmly committed to this struggle and express the hope that all member States will, in the spirit of resolution 40/61, reaffirm this commitment during this session.

Thank you Mr. Chairman.