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**PRESS RELEASE**

The Tunisian Financial Analysis Committee (CTAF) organized this Friday, October 25, 2019 a press conference on the occasion of the exit of Tunisia from the list of jurisdictions subject to the monitoring of the Financial Action Task Force (FATF). Mr. Marouane EL ABASSI, Governor of the Central Bank of Tunisia, President of the CTAF inaugurated this event with the presence of Mr. Mohamed Karim JAMOSSI, Minister of Justice, Mr. Ridha CHALGHOU, Minister of Finance, Mr. Fayçal DERBEL, Mr. the Secretary General of the CTAF as well as members of its college and representatives of the media.

In his opening remarks, the Governor of the BCT recalled the main achievements since the adoption of the action plan by the FATF in its Plenary held in Argentina in November 2017 following the high level political commitment of Tunisia until the decision to remove Tunisia from the list of jurisdictions under monitoring during the last FATF Plenary held in Paris last week.

Mr. EL ABASSI praised the efforts of all stakeholders that contributed in this achievement including, CTAF, public authorities, national instances, supervisory authorities, law enforcement agencies, self-regulatory authorities, financial institutions and non-financial professions.

The President of the CTAF affirmed that the actions undertaken by Tunisia have substantially strengthened the effectiveness of the anti-money laundering and the financing of terrorism mechanism and the transparency of financial transactions executed by financial institutions and non-financial professions and that the choice of Tunisia which favors transparency is irreversible; indeed, the CTAF and all stakeholders will continue to support the reforms initiated by Tunisia.

He also stressed that this success is the result of the national cooperation between all parties concerned, including supervisory authorities, law enforcement agencies and national authorities, which has strongly supported the investigations carried out by CTAF in accordance with the best practices related to the traceability of financial transactions and the identification of their origin and final destination in order to detect possible risks of money laundering and terrorist financing.



M. Marouane EL ABASSI specified that the current anti-money laundering and terrorist financing mechanism is based on information interconnection and the development of digitalization, which will ensure a better fight against unregulated activities and the criminal economy in general.

In addition, the press conference was an opportunity to further introduce the tasks of CTAF and its strategic projects already realized and those in progress through a short documentary. It was also reminded that CTAF launched its official page on Facebook.

Finally and on the occasion of CTAF's 15<sup>th</sup> anniversary, it was announced that three events will be organized during the last quarter of 2019, in cooperation with the European Union, the MENAFATF and the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) on the following topics:

- Financial investigations through the open sources;
- Fight of money laundering derived from human trafficking and illegal immigration;
- Crypto- assets and related money laundering and terrorist financing risks.

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