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**REGIONAL FORUM – MEETING
OF THE HEADS OF EMERGENCY AUTHORITIES OF CENTRAL ASIAN COUNTRIES**

*Decision on the establishment of the Regional Forum – Meeting of the Heads of Emergency Authorities of Central Asian countries was taken at the Second Regional Ministerial Conference of Emergency Authorities of Central Asian countries, conducted within the frame of the Dialog “Central Asia plus Japan”
18-19 September 2014, Bishkek, Kyrgyz Republic*

«Approved»
by the Decision of the Regional Forum –
Meeting of the Heads of Emergency Authorities
of Central Asian countries
Protocol, 27 April 2018

REGULATION
on the Regional Forum – Meeting of the Heads
of Emergency Authorities of Central Asian countries

General provisions:

The Regional Forum – Meeting of the Heads of Emergency Authorities of Central Asian countries was established in compliance with final documents, adopted during the following Regional ministerial conferences:

- ◆ Regional Ministerial Conference “Regional Cooperation in the field of disaster risk reduction in Central Asia”, 16-18 October 2013, Bishkek;
- ◆ Second Regional Ministerial Conference of Emergency Authorities of Central Asian countries within the frame of the Dialogue “Central Asia + Japan”; 18 – 19 September 2014, Bishkek;
- ◆ Regional Ministerial Conference of Central Asian and South Caucasus countries for disaster risk reduction, 29-30 January 2015, Bishkek;
- ◆ Regional Ministerial Conference of Central Asian countries on disaster prevention and response; 24-25 November 2015; Ashgabat, Turkmenistan;
- ◆ Regional Meeting of the Heads of Emergency Authorities of Central Asian countries for disaster risk reduction, 31 March 2017, Dushanbe, Tajikistan.

The Countries-participants of the Regional Forum are the Republic of Kazakhstan, Kyrgyz Republic, Republic of Tajikistan, Turkmenistan and Republic of Uzbekistan, the Regional Forum is open to join other countries.

The Regional Forum is an auxiliary mechanism on strengthening and developing the regional cooperation in the field of disaster risk reduction, prevention and elimination of emergencies, and acts as a permanent consultative platform.

The Regional Forum in its activities is guided by the goals of Agreement between the Republic of Kazakhstan, the Kyrgyz Republic, the Republic of Tajikistan and the Republic of Uzbekistan on cooperation in the field of prevention and elimination of emergencies, dated 17 June 1998, and other bilateral and multilateral interstate and international agreements in the field of disaster risk reduction, prevention and elimination of emergencies.

The Regional Forum in its activities adheres to priorities and principles of Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction 2015-2030, Goals for Sustainable Development for period till 2030 taking into account national legislation and priorities, as well as international commitments of countries-participants.

Functions:

The Regional Forum implements following functions:

- ◆ facilitation of implementation of general directions of regional cooperation development in the field of disaster risk reduction, prevention and elimination of emergencies,
- ◆ foster the capacity building on disaster risk reduction, disaster prevention and response at the regional and national levels;
- ◆ cooperation with international, governmental and non-governmental organizations of other countries in order to study advanced achievements and experience exchange in the field of prevention and elimination of emergencies;
- ◆ qualification improvement of experts and specialists of Emergency Authorities through assistance in organization and conducting of experience exchange, trainings, workshops, drills and other events;
- ◆ development of proposals and recommendations on consideration and approval of analytical and methodological materials;

- ◆ support of scientific and technical programs on prevention and investigation of the causes and disaster consequences.

Composition and rights:

The Regional Forum is composed of the Heads of State Authority from each country, responsible for prevention and elimination of emergencies.

The Regional Forum is authorized to take a decision within its competence. If it is impossible to attend at the meeting for a good reason any Head of a State body authorized in the field of emergency prevention and response, its functions can be temporarily assigned to an authorized representative of the respective country with notification of the Chairman of the Regional Forum.

Executive Bodies of the Regional Forum:

The Secretariat of the Regional Forum is the Center for Emergency Situations and Disaster Risk Reduction in Almaty.

An executive body of the Regional Forum is a Working group of the Regional Forum.

Chairmanship:

Chairmanship of the Regional Forum carries out by the Head of State Body, authorized in the field of prevention and elimination of emergencies, representing the country on whose territory the next meeting of the Regional Forum is held.

Organization of activities:

The Regional Forum organizes its activity based on Action Plans on the implementation of Framework on strengthening of the regional cooperation of Central Asian countries in the field of disaster risk, prevention and elimination of emergencies.

Meetings of the Regional Forum are conducted not less than once every 2 years.

If it is impossible to conduct a regular meeting of the Regional Forum the presiding Party informs countries-participants through diplomatic channels.

The presiding Party sends for approval to countries-participants a draft of agenda and proposals on meeting dates not later than 3 months before the meeting.

Extra meeting of the Regional Forum may be convened by proposal of one or more countries – participants. In this case an initiating party sends proposal in writing form to the Chairman of the Regional Forum, and reports about goals of extra meeting, date and place of event, as well as about proposed agenda.

Decisions of the Regional Forum are taken by consensus.

The outcome of the Regional Forum meeting is the Protocol.

The costs, associated with the participation of national delegations are covered by delegated party or by financial support of international organizations.

Receiving country sets up essential conditions to conduct the meeting of the Regional Forum.

Operational language of the Regional Forum – Russian.

OVERVIEW OF ACTIVITIES OF THE REGIONAL FORUM – MEETING OF THE HEADS OF EMERGENCY AUTHORITIES OF CENTRAL ASIAN COUNTRIES

EVENT 1

**MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP
OF THE REGIONAL FORUM – MEETING OF THE HEADS OF EMERGENCY AUTHORITIES OF CENTRAL ASIAN
COUNTRIES WITHIN THE FRAME OF THE DIALOGUE “CENTRAL ASIA PLUS JAPAN”
3-4 August 2017, Center for ES and DRR, Almaty, Republic of Kazakhstan**

EVENT 2

MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP (OF EXPERTS) OF THE REGIONAL FORUM – MEETING OF THE HEADS OF EMERGENCY AUTHORITIES OF CENTRAL ASIAN COUNTRIES WITHIN THE FRAME OF DIALOGUE “CENTRAL ASIA PLUS JAPAN”

26 April, 2018, Almaty, Republic of Kazakhstan,
Center for Emergency Situations and Disaster Risk Reduction



EVENT 3

REGIONAL FORUM – MEETING OF THE HEADS OF EMERGENCY AUTHORITIES OF CENTRAL ASIAN COUNTRIES

27 April 2018, Almaty, Republic of Kazakhstan,
Center for Emergency Situations and Disaster Risk Reduction



We, Heads of Delegations and representatives of Emergency Authorities of the Republic of Kazakhstan, Kyrgyz Republic, Republic of Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Republic of Uzbekistan – participants of the Regional Forum – Meeting of the Heads of Emergency Authorities of Central Asian countries,

Taking into account,

- ♦ Exposure of region territory, where live more than 80 million people, to almost all kind of natural and man-made disasters, including earthquakes, floods, landslides, mudflows, avalanches, droughts, epidemic, dam breaks and outbreak of hazardous substance,
- ♦ The existing tendencies in the countries of the region to increase the scale of the negative consequences of natural disasters, accidents and catastrophes, to increase the vulnerability of people to natural and man-made threats that impede the more successful implementation of sustainable development strategies, programs and plans,
- ♦ The presence of risk of large-scale and transboundary disasters, consequences of which cannot always be eliminated only by the forces and means of one country,
- ♦ Expediency of further strengthening mechanisms at the regional level of implementation of bilateral and multilateral interstate Agreements (Contracts) in the field of prevention and elimination of emergencies and UN international strategical program documents in the field of sustainable development, DRR including the following:
 - Agreement between the Republic of Kazakhstan, the Kyrgyz Republic, the Republic of Tajikistan and the Republic of Uzbekistan on the cooperation in the field of prevention and elimination of emergencies (Cholpon-Ata city, 17 June 1998),
 - Sustainable Development Goals for 2030 (SDG), Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction for 2015-2030,

Intending to continue the implementation of final documents of,

- ♦ Regional Ministerial Conference “Regional cooperation in the field of disaster risk reduction in Central Asia”, 16-18 October 2013,
- ♦ Second Regional Ministerial Conference of Emergency Authorities of Central Asian countries within the frame of the Dialogue “Central Asia plus Japan”, 18-19 September 2014, Bishkek,
- ♦ Regional Ministerial Conference of Central Asian and South Caucasus countries for disaster risk reduction, within the frame of the Dialogue “Central Asia plus Japan”, 29-30 January 2015, Bishkek,
- ♦ Regional Ministerial Conference of Central Asian countries on disaster prevention and response, within the frame of the Dialogue “Central Asia plus Japan”, 24-25 November 2015, Ashgabat, Turkmenistan,
- ♦ Regional Meeting of the Heads of Emergency Authorities of Central Asian countries, 30-31 March 2017, Dushanbe, Tajikistan,

In order to implement further activities on development and strengthening of the regional and international cooperation in the field of disaster risk reduction, prevention and elimination of emergencies,

Approved:

1. Regulation on the Regional Forum – Meeting of the Heads of Emergency Authorities of Central Asian countries.
2. Framework on strengthening the regional cooperation of Central Asian countries in the field of disaster risk reduction, prevention and elimination of emergencies.
3. Action Plan on the implementation of the Framework on strengthening the regional cooperation in the field of DRR, prevention and elimination of emergencies of Central Asian countries for 2018-2020.
4. Concept of establishment of “Regional Register of national and international specialists – experts in the field of seismic, ecological, fire safety, radiation, industrial, hydrogeological and other fields of safety”.
5. Concept of Establishment of “Regional Scientific and Technical Council for emergencies”.
6. Concept of Establishment of “Regional Register of forces and means of Central Asian countries to carry out rescue operations on their territories in case of large-scale and transboundary emergencies”.
7. Proposal on conducting the regular Regional Forum – Meeting of Emergency Authorities of Central Asian countries within the frame of Dialogue “Central Asia plus Japan” in 2019.

Agreed to further consider and inform the Secretariat of the Regional Forum on about the decision taken on:

1. Proposal on establishment “Regional coordination mechanism on large-scale and transboundary response”.
2. Proposal of the International Civil Defense Organization (ICDO) on establishment of the Regional (Central Asian) sub-system of World Network of disaster management centers under the auspices of Monitoring and Coordination Center of ICDO.
3. Draft Joint Statement of the Heads of Emergency Authorities of Central Asian countries on strengthening the regional cooperation in the field of disaster risk reduction, prevention and elimination of emergencies, which will be presented by delegations of the Republic of Kazakhstan at the Asian Ministerial Conference for Disaster Risk Reduction, 2018, Ulan-Bator, Mongolia.

Express gratitude and appreciation,

to the Ministry of Internal Affairs of the Republic of Kazakhstan and Center for Emergency Situations and Disaster Risk Reduction for the warm hospitality, organization and holding the Regional Forum – Meeting of the Heads of Emergency Authorities of Central Asian countries,

To the United Nations Development Programme for the technical and financial support of activities on strengthening the regional cooperation of Emergency Authorities of Central Asian countries in the field on disaster risk reduction, prevention and elimination of emergencies.

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EVENT 4

MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP OF THE REGIONAL FORUM – MEETING OF THE HEADS OF EMERGENCY AUTHORITIES ON CENTRAL ASIAN COUNTRIES WITHIN THE FRAME OF DIALOGUE “CENTRAL ASIA PLUS JAPAN”

1-2 November 2018, Almaty, Republic of Kazakhstan
Center for Emergency Situations and Disaster Risk Reduction



EVENT 5

MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP OF THE REGIONAL FORUM – MEETING OF THE HEADS OF EMERGENCY AUTHORITIES ON CENTRAL ASIAN COUNTRIES WITHIN THE FRAME OF DIALOGUE “CENTRAL ASIA PLUS JAPAN”

11 July 2019, Bishkek, Kyrgyz Republic

EVENT 6

REGIONAL FORUM – MEETING OF THE HEADS OF EMERGENCY AUTHORITIES ON CENTRAL ASIAN COUNTRIES

12 July 2019, Bishkek, Kyrgyz Republic



FINAL DOCUMENT - PROTOCOL

We, Heads of Delegations of Emergency Authorities of the Republic of Kazakhstan, Kyrgyz Republic, Republic of Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Republic of Uzbekistan --participants of the Regional Forum – Meeting of the Heads of Emergency Authorities of Central Asian countries,

Recognizing, that the countries of the region are currently faced with problems of increasing the scale of the negative consequences of natural disasters, accidents and catastrophes, increasing the vulnerability of people to natural and man-made threats, which are increasing due to new challenges, including climate change

considering the presence of risks of emergencies that cannot always be eliminated by the forces and means of one country,

realizing, that strengthening the regional and international cooperation in the field of disaster risk reduction, prevention and elimination of emergencies will facilitate reinforcement of sustainability, improving well-being and safety in Central Asian countries,

supporting the efforts of the United Nations and other international and non-governmental organizations in the field of disaster risk reduction on providing international aid in case of emergency, based on Global Sustainable Development Goals for 2030, priorities and principles of Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction for 2015-2030,

appreciating the contribution of the Government of Japan and UNDP in strengthening of the regional cooperation of Central Asian countries within the frame of the Dialogue “Central Asia plus Japan”,

in order to implement further measures on development and strengthening regional and international cooperation, improvement of institutional basis of implementation entered into force bilateral and multilateral interstate and intergovernmental international contracts (agreements), establishment of sustainable mechanism for disaster risk management, strengthening preparedness on disaster response;

Approved:

1. Regulation on the Regional Scientific and Technical Council for Emergencies.
2. Regulation on the Regional Register of experts in the field of Civil Protection/Defense, disaster risk reduction, prevention and elimination of emergencies.

3. Regulation on the Regional Register of forces and means of Central Asian countries for rescue operations on their territories in case of emergencies.
4. Action Plan (Road Map) on the implementation of the Framework on strengthening the regional cooperation in Central Asian countries in the field of disaster risk reduction, prevention and elimination of emergencies for 2019-2021.

Took a decision:

1. To establish the Regional Scientific and Technical Council for emergencies as a public expert consultative body of the Regional Forum – Meeting of the Heads of Emergency Authorities of Central Asian countries, give instruction to the Secretariat of the Regional Forum to organize its activity in compliance with approved Regulation.

For this purposes:

- *Emergency Authorities of Central Asian countries until 1 September 2019 to submit to the Secretariat of the Regional Forum candidates of national specialists – experts to include them to composition of the Regional Scientific and Technical Council for emergencies;*
 - *The Secretariat of the Regional Forum to assist at organizational and technical activities of the Regional Council for ES within the frame of Regional programs and projects in the field of DRR and ES and holding the first (organizational) meeting of the Regional Scientific and Technical Council for emergencies on November 2019.*
2. Draw up the Regional Register of experts in the field of Civil Protection / Defense, disaster risk reduction, prevention and elimination of emergencies.

For this purposes, *The Secretariat of the Regional Forum to organize appropriate work on drawing up the Regional Register of experts for ES and engaging national and international experts for implementation of the regional scientific and technical program, projects in the field of disaster risk reduction, prevention and elimination of emergencies.*

3. Draw up the Regional Register of forces and means of Central Asian countries to carry out rescue operations on their territory in case of emergency.

For these purposes, *Emergency Authorities of Central Asian countries until 1 September 2019 to provide a list of national rescue operational units, which are to include to composition of the Regional Register of forces and means of Central Asian countries in order to carry out rescue operations on their territories in case of emergency, according to Annex 1.*

1. The Secretariat of the Regional Forum to develop a Concept Draft of application (joint application of flight data) by Emergency Authorities of Central Asian countries of unmanned aerial vehicles
2. Approve the Action Plan (Roadmap) on the implementation of the Framework for strengthening regional cooperation of Central Asian countries in the field of disaster risk reduction, prevention and elimination of emergencies for 2019-2021.
3. Work out the issue of holding the regular Regional Forum- Meeting of the Heads of Emergency Authorities of Central Asian countries in 2020 (or 2021) in the Republic of Uzbekistan.
4. Emergency Authorities of Central Asian countries to support the implementation of the regional programs and projects on disaster risk management in Central Asia, financed by donor agencies and international organizations.

EXPRESS GRATITUDE AND APPRECIATION

to the Government of the Kyrgyz Republic for hospitality, organization and holding the Regional Forum – Meeting of the Heads of Emergency Authorities of Central Asian countries,

To The Government of Japan and the United Nations Development Programme, the World Bank for the technical and financial support provided to strengthen regional cooperation of the emergency departments of Central Asian countries in the field of disaster risk reduction, prevention and elimination of emergencies.

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