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

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Cholpon-Ata, Kyrgyz Republic

We, the Heads of delegations of emergency authorities of the Republic of Kazakhstan, the Kyrgyz Republic, the Republic of Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, and the Republic of Uzbekistan being the participants of the Regional Forum-Meeting of the Heads of Emergency Authorities of Central Asian countries,

Recognizing that the countries of the region continue to experience the expanding negative impact of natural disasters, accidents, and catastrophes, increasing vulnerability of people to natural and man-made threats due to the emerging challenges, including climate change, biological, social and other disasters,

Considering the vulnerability of the Central Asian region to the climate change impact, the presence of large-scale and cross-border emergency risks, which consequences cannot always be eliminated only by the efforts and means of one country, the need to implement modern approaches to disaster risk management using innovative technologies,

Acknowledging that strengthening regional and international cooperation in disaster risk reduction, emergency prevention and response would contribute to strengthening the resilience, prosperity, and security of the countries in Central Asia,

Following the transition from awareness of exposure to cross-border risks to the readiness of the Heads of Emergency Authorities of Central Asian countries to practical actions to create sustainable mechanisms of regional cooperation in cross-border emergency prevention, preparedness, and response, as well as for the integration of post-emergency recovery into the legal and regulatory framework of the countries of the region,

Supporting efforts of the European Union, United Nations, Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ – German Corporation for International Cooperation), and other international organizations in strengthening regional cooperation of Central Asian countries in disaster risk reduction, enhancing the resilience of cities to disaster risk management and the negative impacts of climate change, international humanitarian assistance in case of emergencies, based on the global Sustainable Development Goals until 2030, the Paris Agreement on Climate Change, priorities and principles of the Sendai Framework for DRR 2015-2030,

Commending the contributions of the United Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction (UNDRR), the United Nations Development Program (UNDP), the United Nations World Food Program (WFP), Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ – German Corporation for International Cooperation), and other international organizations to strengthen regional cooperation in Central Asian countries,



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For the purpose to take further measures to develop and strengthen regional and international cooperation, to improve the institutional framework for the implementation of bilateral and multilateral interstate agreements, to create sustainable mechanisms for disaster risk reduction, adaptation to climate change, strengthening preparedness to respond to possible emergency situations, including those of a cross-border nature, to establish early warning and mutual information systems for threatened and occurred emergencies covering multiple hazards with adequate institutional, financial, and human capabilities,

1. **Made a decision to consider completed** the Action Plan (Road Map) for the implementation of the Strategy for the development of cooperation between Central Asian countries in Disaster Risk Reduction for 2023-2024.

2. **Approved** the Action Plan (Road Map) for the implementation of the Strategy for development of cooperation between Central Asian countries in Disaster Risk Reduction for 2025-2026.

3. Took note of the information provided:

- on the progress in the implementation of the Regulation “On the Regional Emergency Response Coordination Mechanism” considering the findings of the Regional Report on International Disaster Response Law (IDRL) obtained with the IFRC support;
- on further measures to establish the Regional Early Warning and Mutual Information System for threatened and occurred emergencies, including relevant initiatives to support regional and national efforts to strengthen early warning systems;
- on the measures taken regarding the Appeal of the Heads of Emergency Authorities of Central Asian countries to the UN Secretary General António Guterres on creating the Regional Early Warning and Mutual Information System for threatened and occurred cross-border emergencies;
- on further measures to create the Central Asian Digital Cross-Border Hazard Atlas considering the experience of creating the National GIS system for emergencies in the Republic of Kazakhstan;
- on measures to implement regional DRR and emergency programs and projects;
- on proposals submitted by emergency authorities of CA countries regarding innovative activities in disaster risk reduction.

4. **Instructed** the Director of CESDRR to present at the European and Central Asian Regional Platform for Disaster Risk Reduction in Montenegro in November 2024 the main achievements in the Central Asian region and joint measures and efforts aimed at strengthening regional and international cooperation in disaster risk reduction, demonstrating the commitment of the Central Asian countries to sustainable development and preparedness to respond to cross-border emergencies.

5. **Offered** Tajikistan to consider the holding the next Regional Forum - Meeting of the Heads of Emergency Authorities of Central Asian countries in 2025 in the Republic of Tajikistan, and to inform the Secretariat of the Regional Forum - Meeting of the Heads of Emergency Authorities of Central Asian countries about its decision by November 15, 2024.



6. Express gratitude and appreciation

to the Ministry of Emergency Situations of the Kyrgyz Republic for their warm hospitality, high level of organization and holding of the Regional Forum - Meeting of the Heads of Emergency Authorities of Central Asian countries,

to the United Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction (UNDRR), United Nations Development Program (UNDP), World Food Program (WFP), and Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ – German Corporation for International Cooperation) for their support to strengthen regional cooperation of emergency authorities of Central Asian countries in disaster risk reduction, adaptation to climate change, emergency prevention and response.

**For the Ministry for Emergency Situations of
the Republic of Kazakhstan**

**For the Ministry of Emergency Situations of the
Kyrgyz Republic**

**For the Committee for Emergency Situations
and Civil Defense under the Government of the
Republic of Tajikistan**

For the Ministry of Defense of Turkmenistan

**For the Ministry for Emergency Situations of
the Republic of Uzbekistan**

