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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

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**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

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**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 strategic 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,

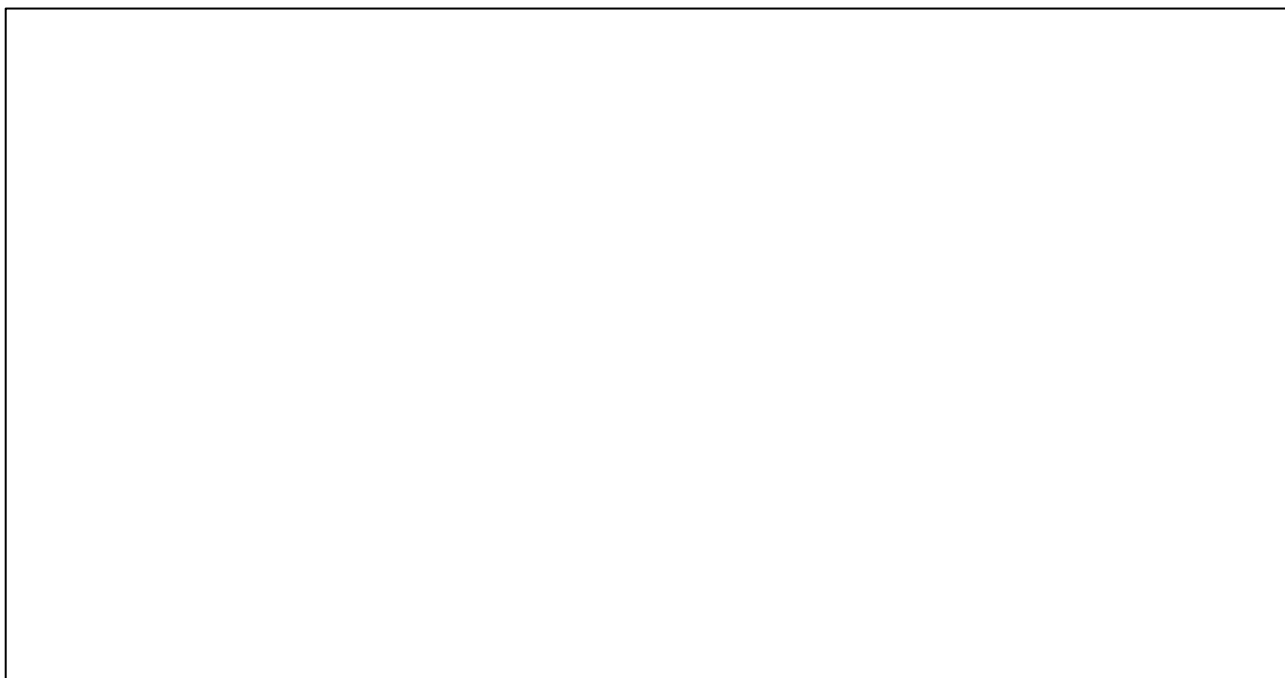
To the United Nations Development Programme for the technical and financial support of activities on strengthening the regional cooperation of Emergency Authorities of Central Asian countries in the field on disaster risk reduction, prevention and elimination of emergencies.

<b>For the Ministry of Internal Affairs of the Republic of Kazakhstan</b>	<b>Y. Ilyin</b>
<b>For the Ministry for Emergency Situations of the Kyrgyz Republic</b>	<b>A. Mambetov</b>
<b>For the CES under the Government of the Republic of Tajikistan</b>	<b>D. Makhmadzoda</b>
<b>For the Ministry of Defense of Turkmenistan</b>	<b>R. Orazmamedov</b>
<b>For the Ministry for Emergency Situations of the Republic of Uzbekistan</b>	<b>M. Mukhitdinov</b>

**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.

**For the Ministry of Internal Affairs of the Republic of Kazakhstan**

**Y. Ilyin**

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

**N. Myrzahmedov**

**For the CES under the Government of the Republic of Tajikistan**

**M. Salimzoda**

**For the Ministry of Defense of Turkmenistan**

**M. Annagurdov**

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

**A. Kuldashev**



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

December 10, 2020 (via online videoconference)

The Working Group of the Regional Forum-Meeting of the Heads of Emergency Authorities of Central Asian Countries, consisting of representatives of the Secretariat of the Regional Forum, considered and discussed issues, submitted for consideration by the Regional Consultative Meeting on strengthening regional cooperation in the field of disaster risk reduction and implementation of Sendai Framework for DRR in Central Asia:

1. Information on the implementation of measures on strengthening regional cooperation within the frame of the Regional Forum-Meeting of the Heads of Emergency Authorities of CA countries.
2. Achieved outcomes, issues on implementation of Action Plan (Road Map) on implementation of Framework of strengthening regional cooperation of Central Asian countries in the field of DRR for 2019-2021.
3. Preliminary draft of the Regional Disaster Risk Profile.
4. Preliminary draft of the Regional Strategy for disaster risk reduction in Central Asia for 2022-2030.
5. Coordination and cooperation due to COVID-19 pandemic, Regional Dialogue of UN States-Members, September 17, 2020.
6. Information on the European Forum for DRR, possibility for formulation of regional position, organization of separate session for CA region within a Forum program.
7. Information on current situation, achieved outcomes, issues on implementation of Sendai Framework for DRR on national and regional levels.
8. Information on Regional programs, projects and plans in the field of DRR for 2020-2021.
9. Information on global campaign on Sustainable cities 2030.
10. Projects, plans, training programs on strengthening regional and national capacity for monitoring, coordination of implementation of Sendai Framework for DRR for 2021.

**Having discussed issues, submitted to the Regional Consultative Meeting on strengthening regional cooperation in the field of disaster risk reduction and implementation of Sendai Framework for DRR in Central Asian, the Working Group proposes to:**

the Secretariat of the Regional Forum-Meeting of the Heads of Emergency Authorities of Central Asian countries to submit for consideration by the Regional Consultative Meeting issues, according to the program, taking into account the amendments and additions proposed by the working group.

## EVENT 8

### REGIONAL CONSULTATIVE MEETING ON STRENGTHENING REGIONAL COOPERATION IN DISASTER RISK REDUCTION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF THE SENDAI FRAMEWORK FOR DISASTER RISK REDUCTION IN CENTRAL ASIA

December 10-11, 2020 (via video conference)



**We, heads and representatives of emergency authorities of Central Asian countries and international organizations, are participants in the Regional consultative meeting on strengthening regional cooperation in disaster risk reduction and implementation of the Sendai Framework on DRR in Central Asia,**

**Considering** the presence of risks of large-scale and transboundary emergencies, the consequences of which cannot always be eliminated only by the forces and means of one country,

**Realizing** that strengthening the regional and international cooperation in disaster risk reduction, disaster prevention and elimination will contribute to enhancing resilience, prosperity and security in Central Asia,

**Supporting** the efforts of the European Union, the United Nations and other international organizations in the field of disaster risk reduction on providing of international assistance in case of emergency, based on the global Sustainable Development Goals 2030, priorities and principles of the Sendai Framework for DRR for 2015–2030,

**Intending to continue the implementation of adopted final documents of,**

Regional Ministerial Conference of Central Asian countries on prevention and response to emergencies and natural disasters, 24-25 November 2015, Ashgabat, Turkmenistan (Ashgabat Declaration),

Regional Meeting of the Heads of emergency agencies of Central Asian countries on disaster risk reduction, 31 March 2017, Dushanbe, Tajikistan (Dushanbe Declaration),

Regional Forum - Meeting of the Heads of emergency authorities of Central Asian countries, 26-27 April 2018, Almaty, Kazakhstan (Minutes of the Regional Forum),

Regional Conference on DRR and Implementation of the Sendai Framework for disaster risk reduction for 2015-2030 in Central Asia, 21 August 2019 in Dushanbe, Tajikistan (Dushanbe Resolution),

Regional Forum - Meeting of the Heads of emergency authorities of Central Asian countries, 11-12 July 2019, Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan (Protocol of the Regional Forum),

**Based on the information provided and fruitful discussion of strengthening regional cooperation in disaster and emergency risk reduction and the implementation of the Sendai Framework for disaster risk reduction in Central Asia,**

**MADE THE FOLLOWING PROPOSALS:**

**1. To take note of the information provided on:**

implementation of measures to strengthen regional cooperation within the framework of the Regional forum-meeting of the heads of emergency authorities of Central Asian countries;

coordination and cooperation in relation to the COVID-19 pandemic

The European Forum on DRR and opportunities for developing a regional position, organizing a separate session on the Central Asian region in the Forum program;

current state, achieved results, problematic issues of implementation of Sendai Program on DRR at national and regional levels.

**2. To consolidate and intensify joint efforts in taking further regionally coordinated measures to:**

accelerating the achievement of the goals, objectives, priorities and expected results of the Sendai Framework for disaster risk reduction in Central Asia;

reducing existing and preventing new disaster risks, significantly reducing the toll of deaths and injuries by 2030, socio-economic damage caused by disasters;

ensuring by 2030, the transition to a new, higher-quality level of regional cooperation between the countries of Central Asia, which meets the vital interests of the region countries in the field of ensuring further sustainable development.

**3. To accept for consideration the initial draft of the Regional strategy for disaster risk reduction in Central Asia for 2022-2030.**

The Secretariat of the Regional Forum - Meeting of the heads of emergency agencies of Central Asian countries together with the experts of the Working Group to finalize the draft Regional strategy on DRR of Central Asian countries and send it for approval to the emergency authorities by 20 March 2021.

Subsequently, the agreed draft Regional Strategy on DRR of Central Asian countries to be submitted for consideration of the next Regional Forum-Meeting of the heads of emergency agencies of Central Asian countries.

**4. To accept the initial draft of the Regional disaster risk profile.**

The Secretariat of the Regional Forum-Meeting of the heads of emergency authorities of Central Asian countries together with the experts of the Working Group to finalize the draft Regional disaster risk profile by 20 February 2021 and submit it for consideration to the next meeting of the Regional scientific and technical council on emergency situations.

**5. To give the right to sign this Final Document of the Regional Consultative Meeting dated 10-11 December 2020 to the Secretariat of the Regional Forum-Meeting of the heads of emergency authorities of Central Asian countries - CESDRR.**

**Director of CESDRR**

**D. Ukashev**

## EVENT 9

### MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP OF THE REGIONAL FORUM - MEETING OF THE HEADS OF EMERGENCY AUTHORITIES OF CENTRAL ASIAN COUNTRIES

July 29, 2021 Tashkent, Republic of Uzbekistan

#### **The Working Group (experts) of the Regional Forum - Meeting of the Heads of Emergency Authorities of Central Asian Countries considered and discussed the issues submitted for consideration by the meeting of the Regional Forum:**

1. The project "Strategies for the development of cooperation between Central Asian countries in the field of disaster risk reduction for 2022-2030".
2. The project "Regional characteristics of disaster risk in Central Asian countries".
3. Draft Regulation "On the Regional Coordination Mechanism for Emergency Response".
4. The project "Concepts of the use of unmanned aerial vehicles in order to reduce the risk of disasters, prevent and eliminate emergencies in the countries of Central Asia".
5. Draft Action Plan (Roadmap) for 2022-2023 for the implementation of the Strategy for the Development of Cooperation between Central Asian Countries in the Field of Disaster Risk Reduction for 2022-2030.
6. Draft agenda of the Regional Forum - Meeting of Heads of Emergency Departments of Central Asian Countries, scheduled to be held in November 2021 in Tashkent, Uzbekistan.

#### **The Working Group (of experts) proposes:**

- 1. To approve and submit for consideration the Regional Forum – Meeting of Heads of Emergency Departments of Central Asian Countries:**
  - The project "Strategies for the development of cooperation between Central Asian countries in the field of disaster risk reduction for 2022-2030".
- 2. To instruct the Secretariat of the Regional Forum - Meeting of Heads of Emergency Departments of Central Asian Countries to finalize, taking into account the comments and suggestions made, and submit for re-approval by September 5, 2021:**
  - The project "Strategies for the development of cooperation between Central Asian countries in the field of disaster risk reduction for 2022-2030".
  - The project "Regional characteristics of disaster risk in Central Asian countries".
  - Draft Regulation "On the Regional Coordination Mechanism for Emergency Response".
  - The project "Concepts of the use of unmanned aerial vehicles in order to reduce the risk of disasters, prevent and eliminate emergencies in the countries of Central Asia".
  - Draft Action Plan (Roadmap) for 2022-2023 for the implementation of the Strategy for the Development of Cooperation between Central Asian Countries in the Field of Disaster Risk Reduction for 2022-2030.
  - Draft agenda of the Regional Forum - Meeting of Heads of Emergency Departments of Central Asian Countries, scheduled to be held in November 2021 in Tashkent, Uzbekistan.
- 3. The secretariat of the Regional Forum – Meeting of Heads of Emergency Departments of Central Asian Countries should organize a meeting of the Working Group (experts) in videoconference mode until September 20, 2021 to coordinate the finalized draft documents submitted for consideration by the next Regional Forum.**
- 4. The emergency departments of the Central Asian countries should work out the issue of holding the next Regional Forum – a Meeting of the Heads of Emergency Departments of the Central Asian countries in 2022 and send proposals to the Secretariat of the Regional Forum by September 15, 2021.**

## EVENT10

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

November 5, 2021, Tashkent Republic of Uzbekistan



#### FINAL DOCUMENT - PROTOCOL

We, the heads of delegations of the Emergency Authorities of the Republic of Kazakhstan, the Kyrgyz Republic, the Republic of Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, the 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 facing 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 the emergence of new challenges, including climate change,

**Considering** the risks of large-scale and cross-border emergencies, the consequences of which cannot always be eliminated only by the forces and means of one country,

Aware that **strengthening** regional and international cooperation in disaster risk reduction, adaptation to climate change, prevention and elimination of emergency situations will contribute to sustainable development, improving the well-being and strengthening the security of the Central Asian countries,

**Supporting** the efforts of the United Nations and other international organizations in the field of disaster risk reduction, adaptation to climate change, international assistance in case of emergencies, based on the global Sustainable Development Goals until 2030, priorities and principles of the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction for 2015-2030.,

**Appreciating** the contribution of the European Union and the UN Disaster Reduction Office to strengthening regional cooperation of the Central Asian countries,

**In order to take** further measures to develop and strengthen regional and international cooperation, improve the institutional framework for the implementation of bilateral and multilateral interstate agreements, and create sustainable risk reduction mechanisms disasters, adaptation to climate change, strengthening preparedness to respond to possible emergencies, including cross-border disasters,

#### **Approved:**

1. Strategy for the Development of Cooperation between the Central Asian countries in the Field of Disaster Risk Reduction for 2022-2030.
2. Regulation "On the Regional Coordination Mechanism for Emergency Response".
3. The Plan of practical measures (roadmap) for the implementation of the Strategy for the Development of Cooperation between the Central Asian Countries in the Field of Disaster Risk Reduction for 2022-2023".
4. The concept of the use of unmanned aerial vehicles in order to reduce the risk of disasters, prevent and eliminate emergencies in the countries of Central Asia.

**Have made a decision:**

1. The implementation of the Strategy for the Development of Cooperation of the Central Asian Countries in the Field of Disaster Risk Reduction for 2022-2030 should be carried out on the basis of step-by-step Practical Action Plans (Roadmaps) through the initiation, development, promotion and implementation of joint interstate and international programs and projects in the field of disaster risk reduction, adaptation to climate change, prevention and liquidation of emergency situations, with technical support of donor agencies, international and non-governmental organizations, scientific and research institutions, as well as the private sector.
2. The creation and implementation of measures to organize the activities of the Regional Coordination Mechanism for Emergency Response should be entrusted to the CESDRR - the Secretariat of the Regional Forum – Meeting of Heads of Emergency Departments of Central Asian Countries.
3. To support the initiative of the CESDRR - the Secretariat of the Regional Forum – Meeting of Heads of Emergency Departments of Central Asian Countries to develop and present to interested parties on a regular basis the Regional Characteristics (Profile) of Disaster Risk of Central Asian countries.
4. Strengthen the implementation of organizational, legal and technical measures for the development, improvement, implementation and application of innovative information and communication technologies, including GIS and UAVs.
5. By the end of November 2021, it is planned to consider and submit to the CESDRR - the Secretariat of the Regional Forum – Meeting of the Heads of Emergency Authorities of Central Asian countries proposals for the creation of a regional early warning system about the threat and occurrence of emergencies.
6. To support the proposal to hold the next Regional Forum - Meeting of the Heads of Emergency Authorities of Central Asia in 2022 in Dushanbe, chaired by Tajikistan.
7. To take note of the information provided and provide all possible assistance in the implementation of the following regional initiatives, programs and projects in the field of disaster risk reduction, adaptation to climate change:
  - The UN/EU DRR initiatives "Improving Disaster Resilience and accelerating the implementation of the Sendai Framework Program on DRR in Central Asia";
  - The World Bank/EU program "Strengthening Financial Resilience and Accelerating Disaster Risk Reduction in Central Asia";
  - The UN DRR project on the creation of a subnational model of disaster risk assessment INFORM for the countries of Central Asia and the Caucasus;
  - The UNICEF project "Development of unmanned aviation in order to ensure the safety of territories and the population, including vulnerable groups from emergencies and disasters";
  - The FAO project "Capacity building for disaster risk reduction and preparedness in the agricultural sector";
  - The UNESCO/Adaptation Fund project "Reducing the vulnerability of the population in the Central Asian region from the breakthrough of glacial lakes in the context of climate change";
  - The ICDO projects to strengthen the capacity of diving and canine services of emergency departments of Central Asian countries";
  - The initiative of the Ministry for Emergency Situations of the Republic of Kazakhstan and I2NIK LP to attract grants for the implementation of a regional earthquake early warning system and interstate exchange of seismic information in Central Asian countries.

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