Statement by H.E. Bagdat Amreyev

the Secretary General of the Organization of Turkic States at the Sixth Summit of the Conference on Interaction and Confidence

Building Measures in Asia (CICA)

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Thank you dear Chair for giving me the floor.

Distinguished heads of delegations,

Dear participants!

First of all, I would like to thank the Government of Kazakhstan for the hospitality and hosting this anniversary meeting at a high organizational level.

I would also like to congratulate Executive Director His Excellency Kairat Sarybay on the 30th anniversary of the UN GA resolution that paved the way for the creation of this meaningful Conference gathering over 35 states and over 10 international organizations from around the globe under a single umbrella.

It's a distinct pleasure for me to attend and address this milestone even. This historical summit is taking place at a critical time for humanity. The security architecture is eroding. The global system of checks and balances has failed to maintain peace and stability.

And, as we all know, the goal of this multi-national forum is enhancing cooperation towards promoting peace, security and stability in the whole Asian continent.

Member Countries of the Organization of Turkic States are active members in CICA.

As is known, following the collapse of the Soviet Union, the fraternal cooperation among the Turkic States started in the early nineties by carrying out series of meetings at the highest level.

Upon the initiative of Kazakhstan, the Nakhchivan agreement was signed in 2009 that institutionalized the Turkic Council.

The continuously growing brotherly cooperation and the common political will of the esteemed presidents of the Turkic speaking states made us become the Organization of Turkic States in 2021.

In this respect, we fully support the timely proposal on CICA's transformation into an international organization.

In accordance with the OTS Mission as well as the Turkic Vision - 2040 document adopted at the historical summit of the OTS, we shall continue further our endeavors to promote peace and stability in the region.

We would also like to state that the OTS is open for considering the partnership status for the third parties at our Organization in line with the Regulations on the Status of the OTS Partners which were adopted during our 2021 summit in Istanbul.

On this note, I would like to wish fruitful discussions as well as outcomes to this relevant meeting.

Thank you for the attention.