

STATEMENT OF THE COUNCIL OF FOREIGN MINISTERS OF THE ORGANIZATION OF TURKIC STATES ON THE SITUATION IN KAZAKHSTAN

The Council of Foreign Ministers of the Organization of Turkic States held an extraordinary videoconference meeting on 11 January 2022 to discuss the recent developments in Kazakhstan, upon the invitation of H.E. Mevlüt Çavuşoğlu, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Türkiye.

The Meeting was chaired by H.E. Mevlüt Çavuşoğlu, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Türkiye and attended by H.E. Jeyhun Bayramov, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Azerbaijan, H.E. Mukhtar Tileuberdi, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Kazakhstan, H.E. Ruslan Kazakbaev, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Kyrgyz Republic, H.E. Abdulaziz Kamilov, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Uzbekistan, H.E. Péter Szijjártó, Minister of Foreign Affairs and Trade of Hungary, H.E. Rashid Meredov Deputy Chairman of the Cabinet of Ministers and Minister of Foreign Affairs of Turkmenistan and H.E. Baghdad Amreyev, Secretary General of the Organization of Turkic States.

Reaffirming the brotherly ties between the peoples of the Members and Observers of the Organization of Turkic States,

Referring to the joint objective, as stipulated in the Nakhchivan Agreement on the Establishment of the Cooperation Council of Turkic Speaking States of 3 October 2009, to contribute to strengthening peace, ensuring security and stability in the region and in the world as a whole,

Deeming it a responsibility to stand by the people and Government of Kazakhstan when and as needed and in this regard referring to the statement of the Organization of Turkic States of 6 January 2022,

Hearing the assessment of H.E. Mukhtar Tileuberdi, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Kazakhstan concerning the recent developments and current state of play in Kazakhstan and following extensive exchange of views on the subject,

The Council of Foreign Ministers of the Organization of Turkic States has:

- 1. Conveyed their condolences for those who lost their lives during the incidents and wished a speedy recovery to the injured.
- 2. Reaffirmed their firm support and solidarity with the Member State Kazakhstan and its brotherly people.
- 3. Underlined the importance of the peace and stability in Kazakhstan, which is vital for stability and security in the region and beyond.
- 4. Condemned the acts of violence and vandalism that endanger lives, undermine public order and damage property.
- 5. Stressed their confidence in the capability of the Kazakh authorities for urgent restoration of the public order and normalcy.
- 6. Underscored the importance of upholding the basic norms and principles of international law and supported the counter-terrorist operations of the Government of Kazakhstan against terrorists, radicals, extremists and criminals, who aim to destroy Constitutional order.
- 7. Drew attention to the «Turkic World Vision 2040» document as a guideline for coordination, cooperation and mutual assistance in addressing domestic and international challenges.
- 8. Reiterated their readiness to support the people and Government of Kazakhstan, as needed, to overcome the current crisis.
- 9. Declared their support for the reform agenda of the President of the Republic of Kazakhstan, H.E. Kassym-Jomart Tokayev to further increase the wellbeing and prosperity of the brotherly people of Kazakhstan.

The Council of Foreign Ministers of the Organization of Turkic States agreed to remain in close cooperation and consultation in this regard.

