BISHKEK DECLARATION OF THE ELEVENTH SUMMIT OF THE ORGANIZATION OF TURKIC STATES Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan

The Council of Heads of State of the Organization of Turkic States met on 6 November 2024 in Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan on the theme of "Empowering the Turkic World: Economic Integration, Sustainable Development, Digital Future and Security for all". The meeting was presided over by H.E. Sadyr Zhaparov, President of the Kyrgyz Republic, and attended by H.E. Ilham Aliyev, President of the Republic of Azerbaijan, H.E. Kassym-Jomart Tokayev, President of the Republic of Kazakhstan, H.E. Recep Tayyip Erdoğan, President of the Republic of Türkiye, H.E. Shavkat Mirziyoyev, President of the Republic of Uzbekistan, H.E. Viktor Orbán, Prime Minister of Hungary, Guest of Honor H.E. Ersin Tatar, President of the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus and H.E. Kubanychbek Omuraliev, Secretary General of the Organization of Turkic States.

The Heads of State of the Organization of Turkic States (OTS),

Highlighting the successful completion of the Chairpersonship of the Republic of Kazakhstan under the motto "TURKTIME!" in the OTS, which added further momentum to the efforts in the Turkic World for enhancing convergence and solidarity in line with the purposes and principles enshrined in the Nakhchivan Agreement on the Establishment of the Cooperation Council of Turkic Speaking States; the Turkic World Vision-2040, and the OTS Strategy for 2022-2026;

Welcoming Garabagh Declaration of the Informal Summit of the OTS upon the initiative of the Republic of Azerbaijan, held in Shusha on 6th of July, 2024 on the theme of "Building a Sustainable Future through Transport, Connectivity and Climate Action", which aimed at further strengthening and deepening the strategic partnership of the Turkic States and shaping a collective strategy of the OTS;

Commending the Concept of the Kyrgyz Chairpersonship in the OTS which emphasizes Economic Integration, Sustainable Development, Digital Future and Security;

Recognizing the enduring spirit of brotherhood, mutual support and the centrality of the family unit among the Turkic peoples based on common history, language, culture, traditions, and values, which form the foundation of the united efforts of the Turkic States to embrace a common future;

Highly valuing the remarkable political and socio-economic progress of the Turkic States and expressing commitment to strengthening the security and stability of the Member States in accordance with the generally recognized norms and principles of international law, in particular those related to the respect of and support for the sovereignty, territorial integrity, and inviolability of the internationally recognized state borders, non-interference in internal affairs;

Underscoring the importance of ongoing consultations on regional and international issues affecting the interests of the Turkic World within the OTS framework in order to form a consolidated position among Member States;

Emphasizing the role of the OTS in bolstering deeper cooperation and coordination in the Turkic World as well as in promoting the values and interests of the Turkic World in the regional and international arena;

Commending the valuable contributions of the Observers, as an inseparable part of the Turkic World, to the work of the OTS;

Reiterating the great importance of enhancing joint efforts by all Member States and Observers to increase economic cooperation by promoting trade, tourism, transport, investment and regional connectivity initiatives;

Reaffirming shared responsibility to contribute to global peace, security, and sustainable development through united efforts and cooperative initiatives;

Declared that they:

COOPERATION IN POLITICAL, FOREIGN POLICY and SECURITY ISSUES

- 1. Congratulate the 15th anniversary of the Nakhchivan Agreement on the Establishment of the Cooperation Council of Turkic Speaking States, which opened up new prospects for multilateral institutional cooperation in the Turkic World;
- 2. Welcome the signing of the Agreement on the establishment of Civil Protection Mechanism of the OTS that will strengthen cooperation among national disaster management authorities of the OTS to address needs in effective, coordinated, and speedy manner in times of disasters and emergencies;
- 3. Welcome the signing of the Memorandum of Understanding on establishment of the Turkic Green Finance Council (TGFC) aimed at expanding the Turkic capital market in the green economy;
- 4. Appreciate the approval of the "Charter of the Turkic World" aimed at preserving and strengthening the ideals of the Turkic World;
- 5. Welcome the adoption of the new flag of the OTS reflecting the symbols of Turkic identity, unity, common heritage and values;
- 6. Congratulate H.E. Viktor Orbán, Prime Minister of Hungary, on receiving the Supreme Order of the Turkic World;
- 7. Commend the Hungarian Presidency of the Council of the European Union (EU) and appreciate Hungary's valuable contributions to enhancing fruitful institutional cooperation between the OTS and the EU;
- 8. Appreciate the signing of the "Joint Working Plan between the Organization of Turkic States and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade of Hungary for supporting the development of the Organization of Turkic States European Union relations in 2024", and instruct the relevant authorities of the Member States to provide necessary support for implementing the designated tasks in the Plan;

- 9. Welcome the initiative of Hungary to host the Informal Summit of the OTS in Hungary in 2025, and reaffirm the importance of the OTS Representation Office in promoting cooperation between the Turkic World and Europe;
- 10. Instruct the OTS Secretariat to develop cooperation between the OTS and the African Union, and make necessary arrangements for convening a Joint Summit of the two organizations, which will serve as a solid foundation for enhanced regional interaction, and strengthening cooperation of the OTS with other international organizations;
- 11. Express their gratitude to Kazakhstan for the successful chairmanship of the Conference on Interaction and Confidence-Building Measures in Asia (CICA) for the period 2022-2024 and welcome the chairmanship of Azerbaijan at the CICA for the period 2024-2026;
- 12. Express deep concern over the catastrophic humanitarian situation in Gaza, and condemn indiscriminate targeting of civilians and call for an immediate and permanent ceasefire and provision of unhindered humanitarian aid to Gaza, in full compliance with international law, including the relevant UN Security Council Resolutions; and further call for a just and lasting settlement to the Israeli-Palestinian conflict on the basis of the two-State solution;
- 13. Support the international recognition of an independent, sovereign and contiguous state of Palestine based on pre-1967 lines with East Jerusalem as its capital, and welcome the adoption of the UN General Assembly Resolution on 10 May 2024, whereby the UN General Assembly determines that the State of Palestine is qualified for membership in the United Nations and should therefore be admitted; and call on all countries, that have not done so yet, to recognize the State of Palestine;
- 14. Call for an immediate ceasefire in Lebanon, underline the importance of implementing UN Security Council Resolution 1701 (2006) and unequivocally support the territorial integrity, sovereignty and independence of Lebanon within its internationally recognized borders; and express grave concern on the deliberate attacks against United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon (UNIFIL);
- 15. Reaffirm their resolve to continue cooperation in combatting all forms and manifestations of terrorism, cybercrime, extremism, drug trafficking, psychotropic substances and their precursors as well as separatism and to coordinate efforts in international fora;
- 16. Reiterate their commitment to maintain cooperation in combatting all forms of racism, discrimination, xenophobia, hatred against Islam, hate speech, and disinformation, and to harmonize efforts in international platforms to address these phenomena, while cooperating to reach the aims of the UN Resolutions in these fields;
- 17. Strongly condemn the terrorist attack on the premises of Turkish Aerospace Industries in Ankara on 23 October 2024, and express their unwavering support to Türkiye's fight against terrorism;
- 18. Underline their determination to promote interreligious, interfaith and intercultural dialogue aimed at contributing to culture of tolerance, respect, and peaceful coexistence;
- 19. Emphasize the importance of establishing an OTS Working Group on Afghanistan, and in this regard, task the Foreign Ministers with drafting a CHS Statement through the

- Working Group for adoption at the Informal Summit in Hungary, with the aim of preparing a common approach of the OTS Member States on Afghanistan;
- 20. Call for the development of common legal standards and strengthening of judicial, justice, and law enforcement cooperation;
- 21. Commend the organization of the 1st Meeting of the Ministers of Internal Affairs of the OTS, held on 6 September 2024 in Cholpon-Ata, and the 1st Meeting of the Council of Ministers of Justice of the Member States of the OTS, held on 9 September 2024 in Astana;
- 22. Call for mutual efforts to establish a consular cooperation platform within the OTS;
- 23. Considering the heightened security risks and challenges in the region and in the world with interventions directly affecting the Turkic States, urge the continuation of the meetings of the relevant authorities, including the Secretaries of Security Councils of the Member States, and instruct the relevant institutions of the Member States for closer cooperation;
- 24. Acknowledging the dynamic nature of international developments, recognize the important role of Official Foreign Policy Research Centers of the Member States and Observers in strengthening cooperation among the Turkic States, commend their ongoing efforts within the OTS to reinforce joint responses to regional and global challenges with a strategic vision, and stress the need to further develop and support collaboration among them;
- 25. Take note of the proposal of the Kyrgyz side to convene the Meeting of Heads of Government;
- 26. Take note of the activity of the Working Group on the increasing of staff and budget of the Secretariat of the OTS, and call upon the Working Group to finalize its work and prepare proposals until the Informal Summit of the OTS to be held in Hungary in 2025;

ECONOMIC AND SECTORIAL COOPERATION

- 27. Welcome the signing of "Digital Economy Partnership Agreement (DEPA) between the Governments of the Member States of the Organization of Turkic States" which will form the legal framework for facilitated and more trusted digital trade among the Turkic States;
- 28. Welcome the report on "Digital Trade and Investment", prepared in 2023 based on the Turkic World Vision 2040 within the scope of the Turkic Official Economic Policy Research Centers Network (ERCNET), which started its work in cooperation with the Turkic Academy and the Secretariat of the OTS, and will support the ERCNET activities:
- 29. Welcome the proposal of the Kyrgyz side to strengthen and expand cooperation between the National Standardization Bodies and relevant institutions of the National Quality Infrastructure of the Member States for closer interaction and exchange of experience in the field of standardization, management systems and conformity assessment to international standards;

- 30. Note the need to develop a document within the framework of the OTS aimed at increasing capital investment, expand the markets for the sale of manufactured goods and services, accelerating the dynamics of modernization and technical re-equipment, and increasing the level of technologies being introduced;
- 31. Call for the initiation of negotiations on intergovernmental agreements to create and support various common markets, such as finance, digital and e-commerce, intellectual property, agriculture, industry, science, technology and innovation, sustainable tourism, healthcare management) and education to enhance economic cooperation among the OTS Member States;
- 32. Welcome the proposal of the Kazakh side to strengthen cooperation among the central (national) banks of the Member States and highly appreciate the signing by the central (national) banks of the Member States of the Memorandum on the establishment of the Council of central (national) banks of the Member States of the OTS;
- 33. Welcome the 1st Meeting of the Council of Competition Authorities of the Turkic States, held on 23 January 2024 in Istanbul;
- 34. Underline the importance of cooperation in the field of labour relations, social protection of the population, including labour pensions and social insurance, medical and social expertise, rehabilitation of persons with disabilities and support the enhancement and effective implementation of joint activities in this domain;
- 35. Encourage closer cooperation among the Ministries of Labour and Employment of the Member States and Observers of the OTS to ensure the sustainability of multilateral consultations in the fields of employment and labour relations, the creation of decent and quality jobs for all, the improvement of social protections systems, and the inclusion of vulnerable persons for a just and green transition in the era of digital transformation;
- 36. Call to conduct the 'Social Services Transformation Award 2026' among OTS Member States to promote and exchange reforms and innovative initiatives in the social services field;
- 37. Take note of the proposal put forward by the Metrology Institutes of Azerbaijan, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Türkiye and Uzbekistan to deepen cooperation among the metrology institutions of the Member States of the OTS and call for efforts to finalize the draft Memorandum on the establishment of the Turkic States Metrology Organization (TURKMET);
- 38. Express the importance of promoting and using the "Transcaspian Customs Transit Portal", as well as exchange of experience in the field of implementing mirror statistics;
- 39. Recognize the necessity of developing the national digital transport and logistics platform with the further intention of integrating corresponding national platforms to enhance transport connectivity among Member States, and encourage the relevant institutions of the Member States to search for optimal ways of integrating these platforms;
- 40. Welcome the outcomes of the 1st Meeting of Heads of National Transport Associations of Turkic States held on 6 March 2024 in Istanbul;

- 41. Encourage the active engagement of the private sector to enhance the transport connectivity in the region and beyond, by strengthening the network among transport companies and logistic centers, conducting demonstration tours to identify bottlenecks, and exploring the potential of the existing transport corridors; welcome the establishment of the Alliance of Logistics Centers and Cargo Carriers of the Turkic States and the Union of Road Transport Associations in the Turkic region (OTS-URTA), and instruct the Ministers in charge of Transport to support the activities of these institutions aimed at improving coordination, fostering innovation in logistics and transportation, and facilitating smoother and more efficient transit operations across the region;
- 42. Instruct the respective ministries and institutions of the Member States to take necessary measures to enhance the transit potential and attract additional cargo volume by introducing favourable conditions for multimodal transport, fostering more active collaboration mechanisms with the neighbouring countries, and establishing scheduled block trains along the Middle Corridor and emphasize the need for accelerating efforts to establish the Council of Railway Administrations of the Turkic States to facilitate these initiatives;
- 43. Praise the signing of the Memorandum of Understanding on the implementation of the "e-Permit" project, a pioneering joint initiative within the OTS and the first of its kind globally and call on third countries to leverage this innovative project, maximizing its global benefits and contributing to the UN Sustainable Development Goals by promoting sustainable and efficient transport solutions;
- 44. Encourage the coordinated efforts of the Customs Administrations of the Member States within the OTS aimed at enhancing the competitiveness and attractiveness of the Middle Corridor, including expanding the use of the "e-TIR" system for freight transport and facilitation of transit procedures at the state border crossing points in cooperation with the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE) and the International Road Transport Union (IRU), fostering cooperation in customs risk management and customs laboratory;
- 45. Welcome the outcomes of the training programs on customs value determination and on GPS vehicle tracking systems hosted by the Azerbaijani and Turkish sides on 29-30 May and 24 September 2024, respectively, and encourage enhanced collaboration among the Customs Administrations through capacity building and experience sharing programs;
- 46. Underline the importance of supporting the implementation of the "Digital Silk Way" project, which will contribute significantly to strengthening and interoperability cooperation among Member States in the field of information and communication technologies (ICT) and continuation of activities at improving the IT infrastructure;
- 47. Commend the organization of the 1st Meeting of Ministers of Industry, Science, Technology and Innovation of the OTS, held in İstanbul on 26 October 2024, and instruct the relevant authorities to implement the Action Plan;
- 48. Call for collaborative, inclusive, ethical, responsible, and human-centered research and development in digital technologies, especially in public services and artificial intelligence;

- 49. Call for concerted efforts for collaborative strategies that promote safe online environments, enhance digital literacy, and ensure the protection of family values in the digital age and work towards family resilience in the face of these emerging threats;
- 50. Call for efforts to develop programs to exchange and share experiences in the field of healthcare, including digitalization of healthcare system, application of telemedicine, electronic registration system and AI in healthcare;
- 51. Call for collaborative research and development on energy conservation, water reuse, waste management, application of green technologies (solar panels, energy-supplying equipment) in medical facilities; joint activities on training of vulnerable groups (those with different degrees of disability) for employment in medical institutions in non-medical profiled positions;
- 52. Welcome the organization and establishment of digital platforms for training programs and exchange of experience in the field of digital technologies, aimed at improving the digital literacy and skills of specialists;
- 53. Take note of the necessity to introduce additional supportive measures and a favourable environment for start-ups by providing incentives and funding, not only within the framework of existing ongoing projects, such as the creation of a single information portal for the integration of IT services 'Turkic Metaverse' and 'Venture Fund of the Turkic States', but also for the development of new initiatives that align with the broader goals of innovation and economic growth;
- 54. Welcome the decision of the Member States to establish a common protection measure/platform against cyber incidents and cyber-attacks under the OTS, (such as the Malware Information Sharing Platform (MISP));
- 55. Call for establishing common ICT standards, which play an essential role in achieving interoperability of new technologies and bring significant benefits to both industry and consumers, allowing for more competition in the field and reducing the risk of lock-in to proprietary systems;
- 56. Commend the successful organization of the "Turkic States Artificial Intelligence (AI) Forum" in Bishkek on 9-10 October 2024, as well as the signing of the Bishkek Declaration on Artificial Intelligence;
- 57. Welcome the initiative to nominate Bishkek city of the Kyrgyz Republic as the Digital Capital of the OTS for 2025, highlighting the country's significant achievements in digitalization;
- 58. Note the ongoing cooperation among the Space Agencies and Relevant Authorities of the OTS Member States, and instruct them to accelerate their efforts to develop joint projects in the field of space technology;
- 59. Welcome the signing of Memorandum of Understanding between the Member States of the Organization of Turkic States on Space-Related Activities and Memorandum of Understanding between the Member States of the Organization of Turkic States on the Development of the Turkic Large Language Model, and encourage relevant institutions to continue work on their implementation;

- 60. Note the need to implement joint clean energy projects in the context of renewable energy (hydro, solar and wind energy), reforestation, introduction of resource-saving and energy and water-efficient technologies, sustainable water management, waste management, construction by designing with nature in mind, glacier and biodiversity conservation, combating land degradation and neutralization, and desertification;
- 61. Commend the completion of all formal procedures for the establishment of the "Turan" Special Economic Zone (TURAN SEZ) in Turkistan region of the Republic of Kazakhstan and encourage the Member States to collaborate on organizing the official inauguration of the TURAN SEZ in 2025, which will further strengthen economic cooperation and boost investment opportunities in the region;
- 62. Commend the partnership throughout the OTS region in the sustainable and efficient use of water resources launched by the "Drought Prevention Institute of the OTS" based in Hungary, which aims to identify and implement multilateral development projects in the OTS region as mutually agreed upon by helping countries to reduce the negative effects of drought and uncontrolled economic changes resulting from climate change induced drought;
- 63. Support the organization of the 1st Meeting of the Ministers responsible for the Environment and Ecology of the OTS on the margins of the COP29 in Baku, Azerbaijan, in line with the initiative of the Uzbek side to create the Turkic Environmental Council at the ministerial level;
- 64. Welcome the initiative of the Turkish side on establishment of the cooperation among the mapping institutions of the Turkic countries and appreciate the results of the 1st Meeting of Heads of Mapping Institutions of the OTS Member States and Observers, held on 30 September-1 October 2024 in Ankara;
- 65. Highlight the significance of implementing projects on the "Establishment of Common Agricultural Insurance System among OTS Member States", the development of an annual "Turkic Agriculture and Food Security Outlook" with the further creation of a data-driven "Digital Agro Data Platform of the OTS" and "OTS Made" brand projects initiated and actively promoted by Türkiye and Azerbaijan, which will strengthen agricultural resilience and contribute to the long-term prosperity of farming communities throughout the OTS region;
- 66. Emphasize the need for completing the text-based negotiations on the draft "Multilateral Agreement on Food Security within the OTS" (as an effective system of food supply within the Turkic region) and its signing by the Member States as soon as possible, with the aim of committing to work together to address common food security challenges and lead to improved food security outcomes, including establishing new production and distribution systems that require the development of trade and logistics hubs improving national food processing capacities and encouraging the development of cooperation in food and animal health research;
- 67. Strive to continue to strengthen the institutional infrastructure to more effectively influence policy, manage resources, and deliver services, by prioritizing the training farmer education programs and development of the agricultural workforce, promoting expertise and knowledge sharing, and facilitating access to agricultural technology and improving market infrastructure;

- 68. Strive to increase the efforts for the realization of the scheduled activities of the OTS Working Group for Health Cooperation as well as its sub-working groups for Turkic Pharmacopeia, Cancer, Common Health Tourism Network, Telemedicine, Digitization and AI in Healthcare, Turkic Laboratory Medicine Foundation, the Joint Emergency Disaster Response Team, Mutual Recognition of diplomas and certificates in Healthcare, Health Data Dictionary, Rare Diseases and Genomics; as well as the OTS Health Supply Chain Group and the Health Research and Development Group;
- 69. Express support for developing cooperation in the field of TURKTRANSPLANT as well as implementation of the signed Protocol of Intent on the TURKTRANSPLANT Unified Information Center;
- 70. Intensify efforts to strengthen the "One Health" approach against environmental consequences of biochemical, radio-nuclear threats, and negative effects of climate change in OTS region;
- 71. Support the idea of establishing a "Medical University of Turkic States" in one of the Member States and encourage the opening of branches of large private hospitals in Member States;
- 72. Welcome the establishment of the "Turkic Red Network"—a network across the OTS National Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies, founded on 10 October 2024 in Bishkek to reinforce regional cooperation and solidarity through joint humanitarian efforts, programs and funds, and encourage the OTS Secretariat and invite the Member States to support the Turkic Red Network with necessary recognition, human, material and financial resources;
- 73. Commend the launch of the new website namely www.turkicsilkroad.com with the aim to promote tourism destinations of the Member States and instruct the relevant authorities of the Member States to provide necessary materials to develop the aforementioned website;
- 74. Welcome the announcement of Jalal-Abad, Kyrgyzstan as the "Turkic World Tourism Capital-2025", and instruct relevant authorities to carry out activities for the promotion of the city;
- 75. Instruct the Member States to work on developing joint museum card for the citizens of the OTS Member States, which will enable entrance to the museums in the Member States with a single card;
- 76. Welcome the establishment of the Union of Turkic Ski Resorts which aims to increase tourist flow and promote regional tourism destinations by establishing stronger ties between ski centers, prioritizing ski tourism development, and enhancing the expertise of professionals in the field;
- 77. Highlight the importance of establishing joint tourism investment projects in the OTS Member States;

PEOPLE TO PEOPLE COOPERATION

78. Reiterate the importance of strengthening cultural, linguistic and social relations between Turkic States and their communities living in all parts of the world and urge the Ministers and Heads of Institutions in Charge of Diaspora Affairs of the OTS to

- increase their cooperation and coordination in accordance with the "Turkic Speaking Diaspora Joint Activity Strategy", annual "Turkic Diaspora Joint Action Plans"; "Turkic World Vision-2040", and "OTS Strategy 2022-2026";
- 79. Reaffirm their firm intention to contribute to the preservation of the spiritual and cultural community of peoples, to further ensure the protection of their ethnic, linguistic, cultural and religious identity;
- 80. Express appreciation for the ongoing cooperation among the Heads of Muslim Religious Boards in the framework of the OTS, and encourage to improve the collaboration among the Boards based on the ideas of Turkic-Islamic solidarity, national-spiritual, moral, and cultural values of the Turkic peoples;
- 81. Appreciate the 1st Internship Program among the experts of the Diaspora Institutions and allocation of extra scholarship quota within the "Türkiye Bursları" program for the youth of the diaspora communities of the OTS countries, and support the positive role of the Presidency for Turks Abroad and Related Communities of the Republic of Türkiye;
- 82. Welcome the official announcement of the city of Lankaran, Azerbaijan, as the "Youth Capital of the Turkic World-2024";
- 83. Praise the successful organization of the 5th World Nomad Games held, on 8-13 September 2024 in Astana, and support the holding of the 6th World Nomad Games to be held in 2026 in the Kyrgyz Republic;
- 84. Encourage the participation of theatres from the Member States and Observers to "Thousands of Breaths in a Voice", the 17th International Festival of Countries performing theatre in Turkish, to be organized by the Ministry of Culture and Tourism of the Republic of Türkiye between 24 May-1 June 2025 in Konya;
- 85. Commend the "Organization of Turkic States Diaspora Joint Scholarship Programs", implemented in the frame of the Türkiye Scholarships Program by the Presidency for Turks Abroad and Related Communities of the Republic of Türkiye as part of human oriented efforts to spread Turkic States' values, cultures and languages and its positive impacts on establishing a comprehensive bond between the countries of Turkic States and communities living across the world;
- 86. Congratulate Turkmenistan for the successful organization of the International Forum of Heads of State and Government dedicated to the 300th birthday anniversary of the Magtumguly Pyragy, the great thinker, poet and educator of the Turkmen people and the whole Turkic world, on 11 October 2024 in Ashgabat with the participation of the leaders of many countries across the world including those of the Turkic States;
- 87. Emphasizing the importance of holding international scientific conferences aimed at promoting and popularizing the great cultural heritage of the Turkic peoples, underline the fruitful outcomes of the International Forum "Jadids: National Identity, Independence and Ideas of Statehood", held on 11-12 December 2023 in Tashkent;
- 88. Highlighting the importance of supporting the mass media and strengthening cooperation in this area among the Turkic states, appreciate conducting the "Training program for Heads of Information and Media Services of the OTS Member States", held in May 2024 in Tashkent;

- 89. Underline the cooperation in combatting irregular migration within the territory of the Turkic States and strengthening the cooperation of the Member States by exchanging experiences in this field;
- 90. Welcome the 1st Meeting of Ministers in charge of Family and Social Policy of the OTS, held on 16-17 May 2024 in Istanbul by the initiative of Türkiye, and the Declaration signed during the meeting;

INSTITUTIONAL COOPERATION IN THE TURKIC WORLD

- 91. Commend the activities of TURKPA, TURKSOY, Turkic Academy and Turkic Culture and Heritage Foundation (TCHF) and Turkic Investment Fund (TIF), and their developing cooperation with other countries and international organizations, and take note of their reports submitted to the Council of Foreign Ministers;
- 92. Welcome the selection of the city of Anev in Turkmenistan as the Cultural Capital of the Turkic World for 2024 and appreciate the cultural events carried out in Anev throughout 2024, which served for strengthening the cultural ties among peoples of the Turkic World and appreciate the activities organised within the framework of the Commemorative Year of Magtumguly Fragi 2024 which has been contributing to our common cultural heritage;
- 93. Take note of the work performed by the relevant Commission at the Turkic Academy on a Common Turkic Alphabet;
- 94. Note that UNESCO, as announced at the 42nd Session of the UNESCO General Conference, as part of its list of anniversaries of eminent personalities and historic events for 2024-2025, will mark the 950th anniversary of the "Diwani Lughat at-Turk", a compilation of Turkic dialects;
- 95. Emphasize the importance of holding the II Cultural Forum of the Turkic World in one of the Turkic states in 2025;
- 96. Recognize that Turkic cultural heritage serves as a strong foundation that truly unites the peoples of the Turkic world, and, in this context, emphasize the special importance of intensifying and applying a scientific approach to restoration, conservation work, and the museumification of material heritage;
- 97. Note TCHF's efforts on creating a catalogue of the cultural heritage of the Turkic World as a practical initiative to compile a common list of the cultural heritage in alignment with the Turkic World Vision 2040 as well as efforts to coordinate steps to protect and promote Turkic Cultural Heritage;
- 98. Take note of the Turkish side's proposal on forming a Working Group with the participation of representatives of the Member States in order to establish the Turkic World Film Fund;
- 99. Express gratification for the establishment of the Turkic Investment Fund as a pivotal financial institution of the Turkic World, emphasizing its significant role in enhancing economic integration among Turkic States, supporting development projects, attracting foreign investments, and promoting entrepreneurship and innovation and welcome Hungary's membership in the Turkic Investment Fund, which will enhance the Fund's financial capacity and collaborative strength;

- 100.Encourage stronger coordination among the Turkic Cooperation Organizations through efficient and regular functioning of the Coordination Committee and streamlined implementation of the decisions and objective of the Turkic Cooperation Organizations; instruct the Secretariat to hold annual meetings of the Coordination Committee with the inclusion of the Ministries of Foreign Affairs, and if necessary other relevant Ministries of the Member States and Observers within three months following the regular Summits;
- 101. Note the efforts to establish the Advisory Platform of the Central Election Authorities of the OTS Member States (APCEA), which will set up a common mechanism for regular consultations and cooperation opportunities among the Turkic States;
- 102. Welcome the preparatory work on the establishment of a Working Group for development of multilateral cooperation among postal operators of Turkic States;

COOPERATION WITH EXTERNAL PARTIES

- 103.Advocate for enhanced cooperation among Member and Observer States in the international arena, and encourage mutual support for each other's candidacies, initiatives, resolutions, and statements on shared interests within international organizations whenever possible;
- 104.Recognize the importance of Zero-Waste concept as a means to advance the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and combat the negative effects of Climate Change; commend the United Nations General Assembly Resolution (77) entitled "Promoting zero-waste initiatives to advance the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development" submitted by Türkiye, and invite for its implementation by sharing good practices and experiences on Zero Waste initiatives;
- 105. Welcome Azerbaijan's hosting of the 29th Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change on 11-22 November 2024 and affirm support to the Presidency's overarching and inclusive strategy for two mutually reinforcing pillars-enhance ambition and enable action, with establishing a new climate finance goal as a key priority this year;
- 106. Welcome the COP Truce Initiative by COP29 Incoming Presidency of the Republic of Azerbaijan, which is embodied in the Joint Solemn Appeal, and lend their support to COP29 Incoming Presidency's call to all parties, non-governmental organizations, and other stakeholders to join it, stand in unity and observe the truce during the month of COP29;
- 107.Recognizing the high vulnerability of mountainous regions to climate change, took note the proposal of Kyrgyzstan to include the item "Facilitating dialogues on mountains and climate change in the Agenda of the 29th Conference of the Parties of the UNFCCC (11-22 November 2024, Baku);
- 108. Welcome the convening of the Second Global Mountains Summit "Bishkek + 25" in 2027 in Kyrgyzstan and the proclamation of 23 October as the International Day of Snow Leopard by the UN General Assembly;
- 109. Welcome Kazakhstan's intention to host the Regional Climate Summit in 2026;

- 110.Express contentment with the growing interest from third countries and international organizations in establishing institutional cooperation with the OTS in the areas of mutual interests, and encourage expediting collaborative efforts to secure observer status for the OTS at the UN General Assembly and the Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC);
- 111.Commend the role of the Member States in extending humanitarian assistance to the third countries across the world;
- 112.Encourage the cooperation of OTS with relevant international organizations such as Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) to yield benefits including knowledge sharing, capacity building, and collaborative problem-solving; and call for exploration of possibilities for the establishment of cooperation with the Standards and Metrology Institutes for Islamic Countries (SMIIC) and Islamic Forum for Halal Accreditation Bodies (IFHAB) on halal certification in the Member States;
- 113.Commend the joint activities carried out in line with the Action Plan for the implementation of the MoU on cooperation between the OTS and the WHO/EURO for 2024-2025, in particular the first-ever training program organized by the OTS-WHO in Health Emergencies on 6-10 May 2024 in Istanbul with the participation of health professionals from the OTS Member States;
- 114. Consider the fundamental reorientation of health systems towards Primary Health Care (PHC) and their readiness to join the PHC Coalition, which is designed to act as an international expert union and PHC partnership platform with the support of WHO and international organizations;
- 115. Welcome the successful organization of the "Turkic Week" in Geneva in close cooperation with the OTS Member States, the Turkic Cooperation Organizations and the UN Office in Geneva, which provided visibility to the Turkic World in international stage, and urge the Secretariat to continue such activities together with the Turkic Cooperation Organizations at other venues to be decided in consultation with the Member States:
- 116. Welcome the signing of the Memorandum of Understanding between the Organization of Turkic States and the Islamic World Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (ICESCO) on 13 June 2024 in Rabat;
- 117. Strengthen cooperation among Turkic States in the context of UNESCO 2003 Convention for the Safeguarding of the Intangible Cultural Heritage and organize joint activities related to intangible cultural heritage, prepare and submit their common intangible cultural heritage elements as multinational nomination files to UNESCO ICH Lists;
- 118. Praise the efforts of the Secretariat to increase cooperation with all relevant international and regional organizations and carry out joint projects in areas of mutual interests;

ORGANIZATIONAL ISSUES:

- 119. Congratulate the Republic of Kazakhstan for the successful Chairpersonship of the OTS in 2023-2024 under the motto of "TURKTIME", and highly value its great contribution to the activities of the Organization;
- 120. Praise the significant achievements in the activities of the Secretariat of the OTS since last Astana Summit, as presented by the Secretary General Kubanychbek Omuraliev in his report;
- 121.Decide to hold the 12th Summit of the OTS in the Republic of Azerbaijan and Informal Summit of the OTS in 2025 in Hungary;

The Heads of States express profound thanks to H.E. Sadyr Zhaparov, President of the Kyrgyz Republic, for steering the deliberations of the 11th Summit of the OTS to a successful conclusion and appreciate the warm hospitality of the Cabinet of Ministers and people of Kyrgyzstan. They welcome the assumption of the Chairpersonship of the OTS by the Kyrgyz Republic until the next Summit.

Signed on 6 November 2024 in Bishkek, in Azerbaijani, Kazakh, Kyrgyz, Turkish and Uzbek languages.

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