



**PERMANENT MISSION OF
THE REPUBLIC OF KAZAKHSTAN TO THE OSCE**

**Statement by the Permanent Representative of the Republic of Kazakhstan
to the OSCE, Ambassador Doulat Kuanyshev
at the 645th Permanent Council meeting
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Gracias Señor Presidente,

Quisiera en primer lugar saludar la presencia aquí y la intervención del Excelentísimo Señor Miguel Angel Moratinos Cuyaubé, Ministro de Asuntos Exteriores y de Cooperación de España.

Señor Ministro, al asumir las altas responsabilidades del Presidente en Ejercicio de la Organización, Ud. Acaba de exponer sus prioridades ante el Consejo Permanente de la OSCE. Por ello, quiero expresar mi más sincero reconocimiento y, asimismo, desearle a Ud y sus colegas éxitos en estas funciones responsables.

We also address the words of appreciation to our Belgian colleagues and friends who have just completed the mission of the OSCE Chairmanship.

Dear Mr. Minister,

Spain has started to exercise Chairmanship at a responsible juncture for our Organization when the latter strives to improve its contribution into maintaining stability and creating propitious conditions for peace, progress and cooperation for more than 1 billion people inhabiting the OSCE area.

Brussels Ministerial Council has demonstrated shared realization by the OSCE community of the need to increase effectiveness of international efforts while facing new challenges and threats in combination with better international cooperation and dialogue.

Having this in mind Kazakhstan welcomes and fully adheres to the priorities of Spanish Chairmanship outlined by Minister Moratinos. We consider them well balanced, extremely timely and finely adjusted.

There is little doubt that fight against terrorism, political extremism and collateral criminal activities require comprehensive and urgent measures to be adopted by the OSCE. International community will judge relevance and credibility of our Organization vis-à-vis realities of dynamically changing world on successful and efficient implementation of those measures.

We support the position of Spain to stick to full respect of the democratic standards and human values while combating all diverse manifestations of terrorism.

We welcome aspiration of Chairmanship to attach greater importance to the work on political-military dimension in order to further develop OSCE capabilities as a valuable forum for dialogue and cooperation.

Furthermore, the incoming Chairmanship's focus on strengthening environmental security should be supported. We especially appreciate the idea to enhance the OSCE role in rational management of the water resources and prevention of fertile soil contamination. You all may well know what this focus represents for the whole region of Central Asia.

Kazakhstan is ready to actively assist Chairman in Office in facing the challenges of the economical-environmental dimension in every possible manner.

OSCE's human dimension agenda proposed by Spain corresponds to our understanding of the priorities in this sense. Further promotion of the Alliance of Civilizations within the OSCE framework and beyond; countering intolerance, discrimination, trafficking in human beings; further progress and transparency of democratic processes; provision of the rule of law are key elements of the overall humanitarian security.

Mr. Minister,

Your programme of activities at the helm of Organization fully meets our expectations. We believe in being able to overcome existing stereotypes and internal contradictions which objectively hinder efficiency of the OSCE.

We also bear in mind also a vital need to find proper solution to the issue related to our Chairmanship bid in 2009 in a hope to have it as an indisputable indicator of confirmation of the principle of equality of all OSCE participating States. In this regard, I thank you Mr. Minister for being encouraging in your statement.

We also share existing opinions not to discard the idea of the OSCE Summit in visible future. Last one was held almost 8 years ago. This very fact and the other one when no common voice of the OSCE community on the most important security, stability and cooperation issues has been formally raised during last four years should be considered disturbing signs by all of us.

Along with this the threat of terrorism, racial and religious intolerance, neo-fascism and other man-hating ideas remain an extremely high and may require debate on the highest levels within this Organization.

In conclusion, let me sincerely wish to you, Your Excellency, and your professional team every success in implementation of this important and responsible mission.

Thank you.