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**Statement by the Delegation of Kazakhstan**  
**at the 25<sup>th</sup> Session of the UPR WG / UPR of Tajikistan**

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Kazakhstan warmly welcomes the distinguished delegation of the Republic of Tajikistan led by H.E Mr. Rustam Shohmurod, and thanks it for the presentation of the National Report.

We acknowledge Tajikistan's constructive cooperation with the UPR mechanism, as well as its open and active engagement with the UN Human Rights mechanisms. In this regard, we also wish to congratulate the Tajik Government for the creation of a streamlined digital platform, a website launched in February of this year, which provides information on country's implementation of its international human rights obligations.

We have further noted with appreciation the adoption by Tajikistan of a number of legislative acts aimed to ensure a better compliance of its national legislation with international standards. We refer, in particular, to the Domestic Violence Prevention Act, the Trafficking in Persons and Assistance to Victims Act, and to the revision of its national penal enforcement legislation. We welcome the adoption of these legislative norms and hope that the Government of Tajikistan will take concrete measures to effectively implement them.

In the spirit of cooperation, the Republic of Kazakhstan would like to make a few concrete recommendations to Tajikistan:

- 1) Further strengthen the capacities of its prisons with a view to improve the custody conditions of detainees.
- 2) Consider ratifying the OP-CAT and ensure effective implementation of national mechanisms in the area of identification and prevention of torture.
- 3) Take necessary steps to effectively implement the existing mechanism for reintegration of returned migrant workers in the national economy.

We finally wish the Republic of Tajikistan success in the current UPR process, and would like to reassure it of our full support and cooperation.

Thank you!