Brief National Note on sustainable development in the Republic of Tajikistan

Part I

National coordinator on sustainable development is not appointed by the Government of Republic Tajikistan and this appointment has not been considered by the Government. Functions of national coordination of sustainable development are assigned to the National Commission on Sustainable Development (NCSD) created by the Government of Republic Tajikistan in 1998 and headed by the Deputy Prime Minister of Republic Tajikistan Mr. Koimdodov K.K. The functions of the Secretariat which is responsible for preparation of documents are assigned to a member of the commission - the Tadjik Branch of the Scientific - Information Center of the Interstate Commission on Sustainable Development (TB SIC ICSD) headed by Djalil Buzrukov. Below is Mr. Buzrukov's data.

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Position: Adviser to the Minister of Environment, Head of TB SIC ICSD, Secretary of NCSD of the Republic of Tajikistan.

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Basic duties:

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Answers to questions in Part II on NSDS

1. NO

5. Within the framework of discussion on the results of the World Summit on Sustainable Development in Johannesburg, national seminar that was organized by the Ministry of Environment with the support of the Government of the Republic of Tajikistan and UNDP Country Office on 8 February 2003 considered prospects for the development of National strategy of sustainable development of the Republic of Tajikistan. The participants adopted a resolution calling on the National Commission to speed up on the development NSDS with the help of donors and all layers of the society.

The preliminary consultations with UNDP Office in Tajikistan and UNEP Regional Resource Center of the Asian Pacific Region have shown the interest to support the process of NSDS development.

At present, it is planned to discuss this matter at the next session of the National Commission on Sustainable Development and to make the corresponding decision.

6. Deputy Prime Minister is Chairman of NCSD. Matters of coordination and preparation of corresponding documentation are assigned to the Adviser to the Minister of Environment of the Republic of Tajikistan, the Head of TB SIC ICSD Mr. Djalil Buzrukov. TBSIC ICSD is part of NCSD and performs the Secretariat functions.

7. The Government of the Republic of Tajikistan approved a number of programs and strategic documents on actions regarding sustainable development. They are the following:

· National plan of action on desertification (2001);

- · National strategy and a plan of action on preservation and rational use of biodiversity (2003);
- · National program on the termination of consumption of ozone destroying substances (2002);

· National Plan of action on mitigation of consequences of climate change (2003);

· National plan of action on hygiene of an environment (2000);

· National report on sustainable development (2002);

- Document (Paper?) on Strategy of Poverty Reduction in short-term perspective (DSPR, 2002);
- · For implementation of DSPR the Government adopted the Program of the state investments, grants and the technical assistance for 2004-2006 (2003).

At preset, the following programs and documents are being prepared:

- · Report on the Integrated Evaluation of the Environment (due in 2003);
- · National Plan of Action on Preservation of the Environment (due in 2004);
- · Self-estimation of the national potential of Tajikistan on management of a global environment (due in 2004);
- · Program of economic development of the Republic of Tajikistan for the period till 2015 (to be adopted).