Information Note

Event: The national round table on preparation of a new voluntary National Implementation Action Plan (NAP) of Kyrgyzstan on resolution 1540 implementation

Organisers: Kyrgyzstan, Organisation for Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE), with support from the UN Office for Disarmament Affairs (UNODA)

Date and venue: 14 – 17 September 2016, Issyk Kul, Kyrgyzstan

1. Background

Resolution 1977 (2011) encourages the 1540 Committee, with the support of the necessary relevant expertise, to actively engage in dialogue with States on the implementation of resolution 1540 (2004), including through visits to States at their invitation. Also, the resolution encourages all States to prepare, on a voluntary basis, National Implementation Action plans (NAP), with the assistance of the 1540 Committee as appropriate. Since the adoption of resolution 1977 (2011), the 1540 Group of Experts have interacted with States to assist them with the drafting of such plans, including Bosnia and Herzegovina, Ghana, Kyrgyzstan, Lesotho, Malawi, Montenegro, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Malawi, Niger, Senegal, Tajikistan, Togo and Uzbekistan

With the assistance of the OSCE and the Group of Experts, Kyrgyzstan developed its National Implementation Action Plan (NAP) for 2013 – 2015, which was submitted to the 1540 Committee on 2 April 2013.

In its letter dated 23 August 2016 the Ministry of Economic Affairs of Kyrgyzstan requested support from the Committee for the conduct of a national round table on the preparation of a new NAP for Kyrgyzstan on resolution 1540 implementation. The Kyrgyz authorities also requested assistance from the 1540 Committee Experts in the identification of new measures that could be included into an updated NAP and asked for particular attention to be given to export controls in the course of the presentations and discussions.

2. Overview

At the beginning of the meeting 1540 Committee Experts made presentations on general aspects of the resolution 1540 (2004), its status of implementation in the OSCE and Central Asia regions with a special focus on operative paragraph 3 d) of the resolution 1540 (2004) covering, *inter alia*, export controls, as requested by host country. The 1540 Experts noted recent 1540-related developments including the Comprehensive Review due to be finalised before December 2016.

During the meeting the discussion was focused on the existing NAP adopted in March 2013 and covering the period of 2013 – 2015 with the aim to clarify “what was done, what wasn’t done and what should be done”. It was agreed that the results of the analysis of the existing NAP would be used for identification of key elements of Kyrgyzstan’s renewed NAP. It was also decided to include provisions of the existing

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NAP, which were not fulfilled during the period 2013-2015, into a new NAP together with possible additional elements to be identified in the course of discussion started in Issyk Kul.

By the end of the meeting a number of the provisions set in the existing NAP (2013–2015) were identified as fulfilled. Another set of provisions of the existing NAP were identified as not fulfilled or requiring continuing action and needed to be included in a new NAP.

Representatives of Kyrgyz agencies also expressed the view that more should be done, *inter alia*, to establish direct contacts between possible donors and Kyrgyz national ministries and agencies. They identified technical and financial assistance needs for the implementation of non-proliferation measures related to WMD to be included in a renewed NAP.

It was decided that Kyrgyz ministries and agencies will consider elements of renewed NAP identified and discussed during the national round table and will submit their final proposals within a month to the Ministry of Economic Affairs, which is responsible for coordination and monitoring of implementation of the NAP. Further to this the Ministry of Economic Affairs shall submit a draft of renewed NAP to the Office of the Government of the Kyrgyzstan.

3. **Additional Comments**
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