

## MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS REPUBLIC OF KAZAKHSTAN

## ҚАЗАҚСТАН РЕСПУБЛИКАСЫНЫҢ СЫРТҚЫ ІСТЕР МИНИСТРІ

Astana, November 20, 2007

Dear Mr.Minister,

In the context of our bid for the chairmanship in the Organizations for Security and Cooperation in Europe, I would like to express our gratitude to the Spanish Chairmanship for the support on this issue and the great work aimed at reaching the consensus among the OSCE Participating States.

Allow me to inform you, Mr. Minister, in your capacity as the OSCE Chairman-in-Office, that Kazakhstan reiterates its firm commitments to the OSCE fundamental principles.

Our country stands for the development of all three OSCE dimensions without diminishing the role and importance of any of them. With this in mind we consider the Human Dimension to be the most important area of activity in our common Organization. We must continue developing its human component in order to strengthen the democracy in all Participating States.

We treat with great care the OSCE recommendations and take them into account in the process of social and political reforms in the country. Therefore, I would like to reconfirm that we will continue the reforms that were launched in our country in 2007. They specifically encompass such spheres as the improvement of legal practices and law on election, mass media, political parties, local self-governance as well as further strengthening the role of the Parliament and the development of a reliable mechanism for political parties and NGOs' participation in working out legislation.

H.E. Mr.Miguel Anjel Moratinos Minister for Foreign Affairs and Cooperation of the Kingdom of Spain

<u>Madrid</u>

Allow me, Mr.Minister, to express my confidence in continuing of our fruitful cooperation, aimed at strengthening the role and the integrity of the OSCE, increasing the efficiency of the Participating States in fulfilling their obligations.

Please accept, Mr.Minister, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Marat TAZHIN