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MEMORANDUM of mutual understanding between the National Centre of the Republic of Uzbekistan for Human Rights and Human Rights and Equality Institution of Turkey

The National Centre of the Republic of Uzbekistan for Human Rights and Human Rights and Equality Institution of Turkey, hereinafter referred as the Participants follows:

- taking into account the Principles relating to the status and functioning of national institutions for the protection and promotion of human rights (the Paris Principles) adopted by the UN General Assembly Resolution of 20th December 1993,

- stressing the common commitment of the Participants to the principles contained in the UN Charter and the Universal Declaration of Human Rights,

- desiring to strengthen friendly relations between these two national human rights institutions, as well as to promote and develop their cooperation in the field of human rights;

- emphasizing the importance of universal respect of human rights and freedoms,

have reached the mutual understanding as follows:

Article 1

The Participants, in accordance with this Memorandum and the national legislation of their states, will cooperate in the field of protecting of human rights and freedoms on the basis of equality, mutual respect and mutual benefit.

Article 2

The Participants under this Memorandum will cooperate in the following areas: - strengthening the national legislative framework of the Participants in accordance with international agreements; - conducting joint researches, participation in training programs on human rights issues;

- conducting joint information and awareness-raising activities of mutual interest;

- maintenance and expansion of contacts between the Participants in order to facilitate the implementation of international commitments of both states in the field of human rights;

- other areas of cooperation, agreed between the Participants.

Article 3

The cooperation under this Memorandum will be implemented in the following forms:

- exchange of information, legislative acts, information and analytical materials and literature in the field of promotion and protection of human rights;

- exchange of experience, information and analytical materials in the field of implementation of the international commitments of the Participants in the field of human rights;

- assistance in protecting the rights and freedoms of citizens of the state Participants;

- implementation of joint programs and projects aimed on conducting researches on the protection of human rights and freedoms;

- organization of visits, internships for the employees of the Participants holding of international conferences, seminars, round tables and trainings on human rights issues;

- preparation and publication of joint publications on the issues of promotion and protection of human rights and freedoms;

- maintenance of contacts for international cooperation in the field of human rights;

- holding regular bilateral consultations on the promotion and protection of human rights, assistance in developing of communication with civil society institutions of the Participants;

- other forms of cooperation, agreed between the Participants.

Article 4

The Participants or their authorized representatives may hold the meetings to monitor the implementation of the provisions of this Memorandum and to identify new areas for cooperation.

Article 5

By mutual consent of the Participants, this Memorandum may be amended and supplemented by separate protocols, which are its integral part of this Memorandum.

Article 6

The financial and organizational issues of cooperation are coordinated upon by the Participants in each specific case.

Article 7

Any disputes that may arise between the Participants in connection with the application or interpretation of the Memorandum will be resolved through consultations and negotiations between the Participants.

Article 8

This Memorandum does not constitute an international agreement binding upon the States of the Participants under international law. No provision of this Memorandum shall be interpreted and implemented as creating legal rights or commitments for the States of the Participants.

Article 9

This Memorandum will come into effect from the date of its signing and it is valid until the expiration of three month from the date of receipt by one Participant of the written notification of the other Participant of its intention to terminate it.

This Memorandum is signed in the city of _____ « » ____ 2019 in two copies in English, Turkish and Uzbek languages, all texts are equally authentic.

On behalf of the National Centre of the Republic of Uzbekistan for Human Rights On behalf of the Human Rights and Equality Institution of Turkey

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