



**SECRETARIAT OF THE CONFERENCE ON INTERACTION  
AND CONFIDENCE BUILDING MEASURES IN ASIA**

**СЕКРЕТАРИАТ СОВЕЩАНИЯ ПО ВЗАИМОДЕЙСТВИЮ  
И МЕРАМ ДОВЕРИЯ В АЗИИ**

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The Secretariat of the Conference on Interaction and Confidence Building Measures in Asia (CICA) presents its compliments to the Embassies of the Member States in Ankara, Dushanbe, Moscow, Nur-Sultan and Tashkent and has the honour to communicate the following.

In accordance with the Guidelines for CICA's External Relations of 14 March 2007, the Secretariat has the honour to circulate among the Member States the draft Memorandum of understanding and cooperation between the Secretariats of the CICA and Collective Security Treaty Organisation and requests the approval of the given document's text through silence procedure expiring on 21 March 2020.

*Enclosure:  
as stated, on 2 p.*

In absence of objection from any Member State by the set deadline it will be assumed that Member States have given their consent to the conclusion of the abovementioned memorandum.

The Secretariat avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Embassies of the Member States the assurances of its highest consideration.

Nur-Sultan, 11 March 2020



**EMBASSIES OF THE CICA MEMBER STATES  
Ankara, Dushanbe, Moscow, Nur-Sultan, Tashkent**

## MEMORANDUM

### **of understanding and cooperation between the Secretariat of the Collective Security Treaty Organisation and Secretariat of the Conference on Interaction and Confidence Building Measures in Asia**

The Secretariat of the Collective Security Treaty Organisation (CSTO) and the Secretariat of the Conference on Interaction and Confidence Building Measures in Asia (CICA), hereinafter referred to as the Parties,

based on stated intentions to develop interaction and cooperation within the framework of their objectives and mandates,

noting that international cooperation in countering challenges and threats to the regional and international security helps to create and strengthen an atmosphere of peace, confidence and friendship,

have agreed on the following:

#### **Article 1**

Parties shall cooperate and organize interaction within the framework of this Memorandum, proceeding from respective mandates of each Party, exchanging relevant experience and methods in the sphere of countering challenges and threats to the regional and international security, as well as in the sphere of strengthening an atmosphere of peace, confidence and friendship.

#### **Article 2**

Parties exchange open-access information including reviews, analytical materials and legal documents of mutual interest.

#### **Article 3**

Parties on a mutual basis invite representatives of each other to participate in meetings and conferences organized by Parties.

Parties hold consultations and working meetings including on the sidelines of events organized by international and regional organizations and forums.

#### **Article 4**

If necessary, the Parties shall establish joint working groups to prepare proposals for solving the most important issues of mutual interest.

#### **Article 5**

Interaction and cooperation of the Parties under this Memorandum shall be implemented in accordance with respective provisions, rules and procedures regulating their activities as well as decisions of their governing bodies.

This Memorandum does not limit the Parties in reaching and implementing similar agreements with other partners.

#### **Article 6**

Parties may designate focal points in order to ensure effective interaction and cooperation.

#### **Article 7**

This Memorandum may be amended and supplemented by mutual agreement of the Parties, which are formulated by separate protocols, taking effect from the date of its signature.

Done in \_\_\_\_\_ on «\_\_»\_\_\_\_\_ 2020 in two original copies in Russian and English languages; one of the copies is kept by the CSTO Secretariat and the other copy is kept by the CICA Secretariat.

**Collective Security Treaty  
Organisation**

**Secretariat of Conference on  
Interaction and Confidence Building  
Measures in Asia**

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