



**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 CICA Member States and, on behalf of the CICA Chairmanship, has the honour to forward the following draft documents for consideration by the Senior Officials Committee (SOC) meeting on 10-11 October 2022 in Astana:

*Enclosure:  
as stated,  
on 10 p.*

- Draft Astana Statement on CICA Transformation (Revision 8);
- Draft Conclusions of the Sixth CICA Summit and Explanatory Note.

The Secretariat has the honour to forward the draft annotated agenda of the SOC meeting on 10-11 October 2022.

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

Astana, 7 October 2022



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Секретариат Совещания по взаимодействию и мерам доверия в Азии (СВМДА) свидетельствует свое уважение государствам-членам СВМДА и, от имени Председательства СВМДА, имеет честь направить проекты следующих документов для рассмотрения на заседании Комитета старших должностных лиц (КСДЛ) 10-11 октября 2022 года в г. Астана:

*Приложение:  
упомянутое,  
на 10 л.*

- Проект Астанинского заявления о трансформации СВМДА (Ревизия 8);
- Проект Заключений шестого Саммита СВМДА и Пояснительная записка.

Секретариат имеет честь направить проект аннотированной повестки дня заседания КСДЛ 10-11 октября 2022 года.

Секретариат пользуется случаем, чтобы возобновить государствам-членам СВМДА уверения в своем самом высоком уважении.

город Астана, 7 октября 2022 г.

**ГОСУДАРСТВА-ЧЛЕНЫ  
СОВЕЩАНИЯ ПО ВЗАИМОДЕЙСТВИЮ И  
МЕРАМ ДОВЕРИЯ В АЗИИ**



Азиядағы өзара іс-қимыл және сенім шаралары кеңесінің (Азия Кеңесінің) Хатшылығы Азия Кеңесінің мүше мемлекеттеріне өзінің зор ілтипатын білдіріп, 2022 жылғы 10-11 қазанда Астана қаласында өтетін Аға лауазымды тұлғалар комитеті (АЛТК) отырысында қарастыру үшін келесі құжаттар жобаларын Азия Кеңесі Төрағалығының атынан жолдауды өзіне мәртебе санайды:

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- Азия кеңесінің трансформациясы туралы Астана мәлімдемесінің жобасы (8-Ревизия);
- Азия кеңесі алтыншы Саммиті қорытындыларының жобасы және Түсіндірме жазба;

Хатшылық 2022 жылғы 10-11 қазанда Астана қаласында өтетін АЛТК отырысының түсіндірме күн тәртібі жобасын жолдауды өзіне мәртебе санайды.

Хатшылық осы мүмкіндікті пайдалана отырып, Азия Кеңесінің мүше мемлекеттеріне өзінің зор ілтипатын тағы да растайды.

Астана қаласы, 2022 жылғы 7 қазан

**АЗИЯДАҒЫ ӨЗАРА ІС-ҚИМЫЛ ЖӘНЕ  
СЕНІМ ШАРАЛАРЫ КЕҢЕСІНІҢ  
МҮШЕ МЕМЛЕКЕТТЕРІ**



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Secretariat

## **DRAFT ANNOTATED AGENDA**

of the meeting of the CICA Senior Officials Committee (SOC)  
in Astana on 10-11 October 2022 at 10:00 (GMT+6 hours)

### **1. Adoption of the agenda**

The draft agenda has been circulated as document SOC/2022-III/Agenda/1 on 7 September 2022 and was not revised.

### **2. Recommendation on granting the CICA Member State status to Kuwait**

Application by Kuwait for CICA membership has been circulated via Secretariat Note Verbale No. SOC/OI/88 of 3 February 2022. Pursuant to paragraph 11.3 of the CICA Rules of Procedure, the SOC will consider approving the draft decision on accession of Kuwait to CICA as a Member State for adoption by the Sixth CICA Summit on 12-13 October 2022 (document SUM/2022/DRAFT/4 of 5 October 2022).

### **3. Draft documents for adoption by the Sixth CICA Summit in Astana on 12-13 October 2022**

The SOC will consider approving the following draft documents and recommending their adoption by the Summit:

- (a) Draft Regulations of the CICA Fund (SUM/2022/DRAFT/2/Rev.3 of 14 September 2022) – recommended by the Special Working Group (SWG)
- (b) Draft CICA Leaders' Statement on Cooperation in the Field of Security of and in the Use of ICTs (SUM/2022/DRAFT/3/Rev.3 of 4 October 2022) - recommended by the SWG
- (c) Draft Astana Statement on CICA Transformation (SUM/2022/DRAFT/1/Rev.8 of 7 October 2022) – the SWG recommended that the SOC continue consideration of this draft document

- (d) Draft CICA Plan of Action on the Implementation of the United Nations Global Counter-Terrorism Strategy (SOC/2021/DRAFT/3/Rev.6 of 4 October 2022) – the SWG recommended that the SOC continue consideration of this draft document
- (e) Draft Conclusions of the Sixth CICA Summit (SUM/2022/DRAFT/5 of 7 October 2022)

**4. Concept Papers, Coordinators and Co-coordinators in priority areas of CICA dimensions**

- (a) Approval of Kyrgyzstan as Co-coordinator in the priority area “Trade and Investment” (recommended by the SWG on 14 September 2022)

The SOC will consider approving the following draft concept papers recommended by the SWG:

- (b) Draft Concept Paper on Development of Secure and Effective Systems of Transportation Corridors for 2022-2023
- (c) Draft Concept Paper on Implementation of Confidence Building Measures in the Human Dimension
- (d) Draft Concept Paper and Plan of Implementation of the CICA CBM "Security of and in the Use of ICTs" for 2022-2023

**5. Any other business**

- (a) Future CICA Chairmanships (the Chair will report on ongoing consultations on CICA Chairmanship in 2024-2026)
- (b) Draft Memorandum of Understanding between the CICA Secretariat and the Eurasian Economic Commission (Secretariat's Note № IO/1256 of 3 October 2022)



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**Chairmanship of Kazakhstan**

**DRAFT ASTANA STATEMENT ON CICA TRANSFORMATION**

We, the Heads of State or Government of the Member States of the Conference on Interaction and Confidence Building Measures in Asia (CICA), having met on 12-13 October 2022 in Astana on the occasion of the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the CICA process,

*PP1. Recognizing* that rapid changes taking place all around the world require stronger cooperation among our Member States in response to new challenges, threats and opportunities and in promoting peace, security, stability and sustainable development, based on our shared principles and common goals, and *in order to* set directions for future development of our forum for the benefit of our peoples;

*PP2. Cognizant* that Asia, being vast, populous and rich in resources, economically and culturally diverse and an increasingly interdependent region in the multipolar world, is transforming into a driving force of the global progress, economic development and growth for years to come, and *aiming at* developing these resources so as to attain sustainable growth and equitable development of our countries, reduce economic disparities, facilitate the growth of trade and investment and improve the economic and social well-being of our peoples;

*PP3. Recognizing* the central role of the United Nations as the universal multilateral organization, *reaffirming* our commitment to the UN Charter, its principles and purposes and to universally recognized norms and principles of the international law, including respect for the principles of sovereign equality, territorial integrity, political independence, non-interference in internal affairs, refraining from the threat or use of force, and settlement of disputes by peaceful means, and *resolutely upholding* the authority and status of the UN;

*PP4. Taking into account* the evolution of various multilateral processes, and *underscoring* the need to strengthen cooperation between regional and international organizations and forums, and *supporting* platforms focused on constructive cooperation, which have signed to date memoranda of understanding with CICA, such as the International Organization for Migration, Economic Cooperation Organization, Assembly of People of Kazakhstan, Shanghai Cooperation Organization (SCO), UN Office on Drugs and Crime, and SCO Regional Anti-Terrorist Structure.

*PP5. Remaining committed* to our common values, principles and objectives enshrined in the Declaration on the Principles Guiding Relations between the CICA Member States of 14 September 1999 and the Almaty Act of 4 June 2002, which have laid down a firm foundation to the CICA process, and to all documents adopted by the Meetings of Heads of State or Government, the Meetings of Ministers of Foreign Affairs and the Senior Officials Committee by consensus;

*PP6. Acknowledging* the role and contribution of CICA, as a forum for dialogue, consultations and consensus-based decision-making on a broad spectrum of practical issues, to building a sustainable environment conducive to peace, security and prosperity throughout the region;

*PP7. Acknowledging* that our forum has successfully served as an effective multilateral mechanism for interaction, confidence building and cooperation with a mature and permanently functioning institutional structure, and *building* on what CICA has achieved in thirty years of its history;

*PP8. Underlining* the importance of the CICA Catalogue of Confidence Building Measures as the core instrument of CICA for guiding practical implementation of specific confidence building measures (CBMs) in and across the five dimensions of cooperation - the military-political, new threats and challenges, economic, environmental and human dimensions, on bilateral and/or multilateral basis;

*PP9. Emphasizing* that our cooperation in CICA is aimed at promoting peace, security, stability and development in the region on the basis of the principles of voluntary implementation of CBMs, equal partnership, mutual trust, mutual benefit, dialogue and consultation, consensus in decision-making, respect for national economic and social development and cultural diversity, while taking

into account specific features and characteristics in various parts of our region;

*PP10. Expressing* our strong resolve to gradually and incrementally move our cooperation forward, which will enhance the prospects of dynamic, balanced, equitable and sustainable development in our region and will benefit all our peoples;

*PP11. Expressing appreciation* of the personal role of the CICA Founder, First President of the Republic of Kazakhstan Nursultan Nazarbayev, who initiated CICA thirty years ago and made a significant contribution to the development of the CICA process and common efforts for peace, security and cooperation in Asia;

*DECIDED TO CHART THE FUTURE COURSE OF OUR COOPERATION AS FOLLOWS:*

OP1. We hereby launch the structured, inclusive and transparent negotiations process of gradual, incremental and consensus-based transformation of CICA into a full-fledged regional international organization;

OP2. The process of transforming CICA will pursue the following major goals: defining the overarching areas of our future cooperation and strengthening the organizational and institutional base of our interaction;

OP3. We also envision our organization as contributing to dynamic, equitable, comprehensive and balanced economic growth, connectivity, social and cultural development of its Member States. We will strengthen our collective work within our organization in order to seek joint solutions for our common challenges of the twenty first century towards a secure and prosperous region and to pursue peaceful settlement of disputes in accordance with the UN Charter;

OP4. Our organization will interact and cooperate in areas of interest of all Member States with other states, organizations and fora sharing the same goals and principles for the purpose of strengthening results-oriented and consensus-based multilateral cooperation in our region;

OP5. As the first step of the transformation process, we decide that:

(1) The Meeting of Heads of State or Government (Summit) and the Meeting of Ministers of Foreign Affairs (Ministerial Meeting) shall henceforth be referred



to, respectively, as the Council of Heads of State or Government (Summit) and the Council of Ministers of Foreign Affairs (Ministerial Council);

(2) The Executive Director of the CICA Secretariat shall henceforth be referred to as Secretary General;

(3) The Secretariat will submit to the Member States, through the Chairmanship, proposals for amendments to the relevant CICA documents for approval by the respective governing bodies;

OP6. The Member States will determine, when and as appropriate, the details of the transformation process, including criteria for membership, and, with a view to taking a meaningful practical step to that end, we request the Chairmanship to make proposals in 2023, with the assistance of the Secretary General and in close consultation with Member States, on a road map of necessary measures in the transformation process for consideration by the Member States;

OP7. We congratulate CICA on the considerable progress it has achieved in 30 years of evolution and request the Chairmanship to submit progress reports on the transformation process to the next meetings of the Ministerial Council and the Council of Heads of State or Government.



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**Chairmanship of Kazakhstan**

**DRAFT CONCLUSIONS OF THE SIXTH CICA SUMMIT**

We, the Heads of State or Government of the Member States of the Conference on Interaction and Confidence Building Measures in Asia (CICA), having met at the Sixth CICA Summit in Astana on 12-13 October 2022,

1. Discussed our vision towards a new Asia in the emerging new world and have decided to chart the future course of our cooperation as reflected in the Astana Statement on CICA Transformation, by which we launch the structured, inclusive and transparent negotiations process of gradual, incremental and consensus-based transformation of CICA into a full-fledged regional international organization;
2. Issued the CICA Leaders' Statement on Cooperation in the Field of Security of and in the Use of Information and Communication Technologies (ICTs), reflecting our decision to stand in solidarity and support further strengthening of cooperation among the CICA Member States in ensuring security of and in the use of ICTs with equal emphasis on development and security;
3. Established the CICA Fund as a special mechanism for identification of CICA projects and mobilization of voluntary funding for their implementation, with the objective to facilitate realization of CICA goals in practice by financing project activities implemented within the mandate and framework of CICA;
4. Adopted the CICA Plan of Action on the Implementation of the United Nations Global Counter-Terrorism Strategy, aimed at implementation, on a voluntary basis, of this Strategy in a comprehensive manner within the CICA region;

5. Welcomed Kuwait as a new CICA Member State, took decisions on CICA Chairmanships of Kazakhstan in 2022-2024 and \_\_\_\_\_ in 2024-2026, and on the next meetings of the CICA Summit in 2026 and CICA Ministerial Council in 2024, and concluded the following.
6. The Republic of Kazakhstan and other Member States have proposed that the Conference on Interaction and Confidence Building Measures in Asia be referred to as the Organization for Interaction and Cooperation in Asia (OICA).
7. Member States remain convinced that effective multilateral cooperation based on the purposes and principles stipulated in the UN Charter is an important element in maintaining international peace and security;
8. The People's Republic of China and other Member States reaffirm the importance of initiatives aimed at promoting interaction for the development of a new kind of international relations in the spirit of mutual respect, justice, equality and mutually beneficial cooperation, as well as forging a common vision for creating a community with a shared future for humankind;
9. Member States reiterate the importance of preserving and strengthening the regional multilateral architecture to tackle pressing common regional security and development issues and to support a regional and international order based on international law;
10. The People's Republic of China and other Member States share the understanding that security is common, comprehensive, cooperative, sustainable, indivisible and equal, and the challenges in the CICA region, including traditional and non-traditional security issues, are complex and interrelated and require stronger cooperation;
11. Vietnam and other Member States reaffirm the importance of the shared commitment to maintaining and promoting peace and stability, pursuing peaceful settlement of disputes without resorting to the threat or use of force, as well as ensuring safety, security, and freedom of navigation and overflight, in accordance with the UN Charter and international law, including relevant UN conventions;

12. The People's Republic of China and other Member States welcome the Global Development Initiative and are willing to actively participate in cooperation on the initiative, further align their development strategies, accelerate the implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development of UN, and promote a stronger, greener, and healthier global development;

13. The State of Palestine and other Member States note that the situation in the Middle East continues to cause concern and call on all interested parties to implement related UN resolutions to achieve a peace, security and stability in this region. They also consider it essential to revive negotiations on the Middle East Peace Process, in order to achieve the two state solution, based on international law, relevant UN resolutions and the Arab Peace Initiative on two sovereign states living next to each other in peace, harmony, tranquility and security. They stay committed to the right of Palestinians to have an independent, and fully sovereign Palestinian state on the border lines of 4 June 1967, with East Jerusalem as its capital, and they strongly support the Historic Hashemite Custodianship of the Holy sites in the Holy City of Jerusalem. They stand firm against any unilateral decision that might lead to changing the status quo of the holy city of Jerusalem. They remain fully concerned about the current financial situation of The United Nations Relief and Works Agency.

14. The State of Israel expresses support of the recent developments in the Middle East with the historic signing of the "Abraham accords" and the tripartite declaration. These peace agreements that established full diplomatic relations between CICA Member States Israel, UAE and Bahrain will strengthen regional cooperation in various fields and promote peace, economic growth and prosperity. Israel calls on all interested parties to support the efforts to achieve peace, security and stability in this region. Israel also considers it essential to revive negotiations on the Middle East Peace Process, in order to achieve an agreed solution between Israel and the Palestinians.

15. Member States express gratitude to the Republic of Kazakhstan for the hospitality and excellent organization of the Sixth CICA Summit.

**Explanatory Note  
on the Draft Conclusions of the Sixth CICA Summit**

1. It is of utmost importance for the Chairmanship of Kazakhstan to ensure that the outcomes of the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary Summit in Astana meet high expectations of all Member States and are commensurate with this historic moment, worthy of the level of Heads of State or Government and fairly reflect views of all Member States.
2. The Republic of Kazakhstan, as CICA Chair, believes that all national positions, priorities and initiatives, including on specific thematic or regional issues, must be integrated in the Summit outcomes. The Chairmanship has therefore compiled all achievements of the Sixth CICA Summit and topics which are important for Member States in a document with the title ***“Draft Conclusions of the Sixth CICA Summit”***, which will be **the main outcome document of the Summit with an overarching general scope**.
3. The Draft Conclusions contains a summary of all outcomes of the Summit, including a brief outline of decisions taken and documents adopted, as well as factual reflection of specific issues which are very important for Member States, are not directly related to CICA transformation, security of ICTs, counter-terrorism or CICA Fund, and therefore cannot be part of these specific thematic documents of the Summit. Texts on these specific issues were proposed by Member States on the basis of agreed CICA language, and the Chair believes that their discussion should continue at the SOC to ensure their reflection in Summit outcomes.
4. Transformation of CICA into a full-fledged organization was set as the strategic goal of the Chairmanship of Kazakhstan, and its concept was supported by the Member States. Consensus was reached at the SOC on 30 March 2022 to launch the transformation process at the Sixth CICA Summit. To date, all transformation related decisions for the Summit have been agreed, including on the first practical steps of the transformation process. Therefore, in order to ensure implementation of the SOC decision to launch transformation at the upcoming Summit, all agreed texts on CICA transformation are grouped in a separate **thematic document** with the same title – ***“Draft Astana Statement on Transformation”***.