

Information note¹

Event: Consultation meeting on further development of a National Action Plan of the Kyrgyz Republic on implementation of resolution 1540 (2004)

Organizers: The Government of the Kyrgyz Republic in cooperation with the Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe (OSCE) and the UN Office of Disarmament Affairs (UNODA)

Date and Venue: 5-9 March 2012, Vienna, Austria

Participants: Kyrgyz interagency delegation, OSCE Secretariat, UNODA, IAEA, Verification, Research, Training Information Centre (VERTIC), 1540 Committee expert

Objectives

Continue to assist the Kyrgyz Government in designing and drafting its Action Plan on implementation of resolution 1540 (2004);

Continue to exchange views on the status of implementation of resolution 1540 (2004) in Kyrgyzstan for better understanding the achievements, challenges and problems in this area;

Identify and discuss new adjustments and amendments made by the Kyrgyz side in elaboration of the second version of the Plan;

Provide necessary information and expertise to enhance Kyrgyz officials and experts finalizing the tasks and purposes deriving from the draft national action plans.

Background

The Government of the Kyrgyz Republic (The Ministry of Economic Regulations) invited the 1540 Committee to conduct consultations on implementation of resolution 1540 (2004) and elaboration of the Kyrgyz national action plan with participation of relevant experts from Kyrgyzstan, UNODA, OSCE and other international experts on export control and non-proliferation of WMD in Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan (7-8 December 2011) and Vienna, Austria (5-9 March 2012). Previous activities of the Committee experts in Central Asia, including a regional workshop on implementation of resolution 1540 (2004) in Astana, Kazakhstan (27-29 September 2011), have contributed to establish good working contacts between the 1540 Committee experts and the Kyrgyz officials who expressed their interest in enhancing the implementation of resolution 1540 (1540) by drafting a national action plan with the assistance of the 1540 Committee and the OSCE.

Highlights

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Opening statements were delivered by the representative of the Ministry of Economic Regulations of Kyrgyzstan, the representative of the OSCE Secretariat and the 1540 Committee expert. The representative of the Ministry of Economic Regulations -the main body in charge of the 1540 process and the national contact point- introduced a new updated version of the Kyrgyz draft National Action Plan and expressed an interest in receiving legal and technical assistance in implementing the resolution. He stressed that the task of this meeting is to consider and further develop the draft prepared by the Kyrgyz side bringing together proposals and amendments made by the 1540 experts and Kyrgyz ministries and agencies after the first meeting in Bishkek in December 2011.

Consultations in Vienna have brought progress in the preparation of the draft national action plan, to be finalized and submitted to the government of Kyrgyzstan.

Additional comments

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