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Letter dated 16 December 2022 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Turkmenistan to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to transmit herewith the outcome document of the international conference entitled “Dialogue is a Guarantee of Peace”, which was held in Ashgabat, Turkmenistan, on 11 December 2022 (see annex).

I would be very grateful if the present letter and its annex could be circulated as a document of the General Assembly, under agenda item 14.

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Outcome document of the international conference “Dialogue is a Guarantee of Peace”

Participants of the International Conference “Dialogue is a Guarantee of Peace”, assembled in Ashgabat on December 11, 2022,

Noting the important role of the United Nations in the development of friendly relations among countries,

Reaffirming the purposes and principles enshrined in the United Nations Charter and, above all, the obligation to settle disputes by peaceful means,

Noting the necessity to implement the global strategies and programmes of the United Nations, including the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development;

Implementing the provisions of United Nations General Assembly resolution [77/32](#) of 6 December 2022, which proclaimed 2023 the International Year of Dialogue, as a guarantee of peace;

Bearing in mind the importance of the Declaration and Programme of Action on a Culture of Peace, that provide the international community and the United Nations system with a universal mandate to build a culture of peace and non-violence in the interests of humankind and its future generations,¹

Supporting the initiative of the United Nations Secretary-General to form a *New Agenda for Peace*, which includes reducing global strategic risks, strengthening international foresight and capacities to identify and adapt to new risks, reshaping responses to all forms of violence, investing in prevention and peacebuilding, supporting regional prevention, putting women and girls at the centre,

Reaffirming the role of inclusive dialogue in promoting a culture of peace to support active peace efforts as a basis for achieving the Sustainable Development Goals,

Bearing in mind that dialogue, as a valuable tool for conflict resolution and prevention, contributes to the reduction of tensions, the settlement of disputes, the establishment of contacts between peoples and States, the overcoming of dividing lines and the creation of a culture of peace and non-violence,

Noting that all the efforts undertaken by the United Nations and the international community to promote conflict prevention, the peaceful settlement of disputes, peacekeeping, peace-building, mediation, disarmament, sustainable development, the promotion of human dignity and human rights, social integration, democracy and the rule of law at the national and international levels make a significant contribution to the development of a culture of dialogue for peace,

Welcoming the efforts made by the United Nations Member States and international and regional organizations to address global challenges and achieve results in a spirit of trust and solidarity, as well as to build relations based on dialogue and cooperation,

¹ Resolution United Nations General Assembly [53/243](#) A and B.

Emphasizing that the policy of neutrality proclaimed and pursued by the United Nations Member States plays an important role in the development of peaceful dialogue, trusting, friendly and mutually beneficial relations among the countries of the world and contributes to the strengthening of international peace and security at the regional and global levels,

Noting the importance of preventive diplomacy in supporting the efforts of the international community to peacefully resolve conflicts in order to preserve peace, as well as the need to develop and strengthen the instruments of preventive diplomacy, in particular through multilateralism and political dialogue,

Underlining in this regard the effective work of the United Nations Regional Centre for Preventive Diplomacy for Central Asia in Ashgabat, which in 2022 celebrates the 15th anniversary of its establishment in December 2007,

1. *Supported* the Global Initiative “Dialogue is a Guarantee of Peace” promoted by Turkmenistan, aimed at uniting the efforts of the international community in strengthening the traditions of peaceful and trust-based coexistence of nations of the world, promoting views and traditions of preserving and promoting peace, strengthening a culture of peace and trust in international relations, respecting and observing the principles of the United Nations Charter;

2. *Welcomed* in this regard the proclamation by the United Nations General Assembly of *the International Year of Dialogue as a guarantee of peace, 2023*;

3. *Underlined* that the observance of the International Year of Dialogue as a Guarantee of Peace is a way to mobilize the international community to work together to strengthen peace and trust among countries, inter alia, through political dialogue, negotiation, mutual understanding and cooperation, with a view to achieving sustainable peace, solidarity and harmony;

4. *Noted the* high potential of modern telecommunication systems, including social networks and Internet applications, to create a favourable information environment in order to promote a culture of peace and trust as a preventive means against the spread of hate speech and a language of hatred on the Internet;

5. *Called upon* all United Nations Member States, the Secretary-General and UN agencies, international and regional organizations, civil society, including non-governmental organizations and other relevant stakeholders, to carry out activities during the global campaign in 2023 within the International Year of Dialogue as a guarantee of peace;

6. *Supported* in this regard the proposal of Turkmenistan to develop *a Road Map for the International Year of Dialogue as a Guarantee of Peace*, which will include international and regional events, in particular, the holding in Ashgabat in January 2023 of the High-Level event to launch the International Year of Dialogue as a Guarantee of Peace, as well as to convene in 2023 the Forum for Inter-Parliamentary Dialogue for Peace, the Conference on the Role of Women in Building Dialogue and Trust, the International Youth Forum for Dialogue as a Guarantee of Peace and other events;

7. *Expressed* deep gratitude and appreciation to the people and government of Turkmenistan for organizing and holding the International Conference “Dialogue is a Guarantee of Peace”.

11 December 2022, Ashgabat