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Centre in Bishkek

Project brief

«Enhancing the ability of the Kyrgyz Government to engage in regional cooperation in border security and management».

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Project title: «Enhancing the ability of the Kyrgyz Government to engage in regional cooperation in border security and management».

Beneficiaries: Kyrgyz Republic Government, Parity Commission on Border Delimitation and Demarcation, State Border Service, State Registration Service.

Project objective: To enhance the capability of Kyrgyzstan's Parity Commission and border agencies in their interagency co-operation and relations with the agencies of neighbouring countries on the issues of Border security and management.

Background and justification:

The project activities are based on:

- OSCE comprehensive approach to security and are in line with the OSCE Border Security and Management Concept (BSMC MC.DOC/2/05);
- OSCE Border Security and Management Assessment in Kyrgyzstan, 2007;
- an initial needs assessment of border delimitation / demarcation process by experts from OSCE participating States in 2012.

Activities within the project stem in part from recommendations made by Kyrgyz Government, MFA, State Border Service, and State Registration Service.

OSCE Centre in Bishkek project activities in thematic area:

- CiB will support facilitation of 2 Border Delegate meetings/workshops between the Kyrgyz State border service and neighboring states (Activities initiated in 2010, on-going);
- CiB will continue to foster the capability of Kyrgyzstan's border agencies to enhance and improve their inter-agency and cross-border cooperation with agencies of neighboring countries, as well as with the general public on issues of common concern;
- As per the request of the Kyrgyz Government, further technical support to Kyrgyzstan's Parity Commission will be provided by relevant experts (to be identified in coordination with the Kyrgyz authorities) in particular technical areas;
- CiB will further develop a network of resource centres for border delimitation and demarcation by assisting in the establishment of the second centre in Bishkek;
- Training of trainers' course on travel document security for the State Border Service and State Registration Service will be conducted in Bishkek. A training module and manual will be developed and adopted. Training room / conference room in KSBS MHQ, Bishkek will be renovated and equipped;

- CiB will provide support for development of sustainable co-operation mechanisms and communication between Border control agencies of international airports. Command and operations officers from border control detachments (“Manas” and “Osh”, Kyrgyzstan; “Dushanbe”, Tajikistan; “Sheremetievo” and “Domodedovo”, Russian Federation) will carry out trilateral visits to Moscow, Bishkek and Dushanbe;
- CiB will further develop formalized community outreach mechanisms and information sharing between various government border management agencies and border area residents. This will establish early warning and conflict prevention mechanisms in the Fergana Valley Border areas of Kyrgyzstan in Ala-Buka district and its surrounding vicinity, Jalal-Abad Province;
- Information posters (boards) will be designed in co-operation with KSBS and installed along the problematic border areas in Ala-Buka District;
- CiB will provide support to Kyrgyz government officials, leadership of national border agencies attendance at international conferences on border related topics.