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## PERMANENT MISSION OF TURKEY TO THE OSCE

## Statement by Ambassador Naci Sarıbaş on Krgyzstan (Permanent Council Nr: 827 - 02 September 2010)

Mr. Chairman,

I would like to thank CiO and Ambassador Salber for his presentation on the developments concerning the deployment of OSCE Police Advisory Group (PAG) in Kyrgyzstan as well as to Kyrgyz Ambassador for her explanations on current situation.

We are confident that the Kyrgyz authorities will take the most appropriate decision regarding the deployment of the Police Advisory Group. With this understanding, we believe and hope that a solution between parties will be worked out in the nearest future.

I am pleased to note that Mr. Bodur, Chief Police Superintendent at the Turkish National Police has seconded as the Deputy Head of the Police Advisory Group. He is expected to take up his duties soon. I would also like to inform that Turkey has made an extra-budgetary contribution to support the PAG and this amount has already been transferred.

Furthermore, a high-level Turkish delegation headed by Ambassador Hakkı Akil, the Deputy Undersecretary of MFA visited Kyrgyzstan last week in order to discuss the measures that can help stabilize the country and rehabilitate the infrastructure in southern Kyrgyzstan. The delegation met with high-ranking Kyrgyz authorities and received by President Roza Otunbaeva. In addition to contacts in Bishkek, the delegation held talks with officials as well as representatives of local communities in Osh and Jalalabad provinces.

Turkish government decided to extend assistance totaling 21 million dollars to Kyrgyzstan. During the above-mentioned visit, Ambassador Akil presented

President Otunbaeva a cheque for 10 million dollars intended to overcome budgetary constraints. Rest of the assistance will be used through the Turkish Cooperation and Development Agency (TİKA) to fund primarily the construction of houses in Osh.

Apart from the 21 million pledged by the Turkish government, another 5 million dollar will also be extended to Kyrgyzstan by the Turkish Red Crescent Society.

To assist brotherly Kyrgyzstan, Turkish government prepared short and long-term action plans. In line with this understanding, the Turkish delegation brought together officials and representatives of various communities in Osh. We intend to further our reconciliation efforts.

Finally, we sincerely believe that holding of the parliamentary elections of 10 October in a stable and peaceful atmosphere is crucial. We will continue our efforts to help Kyrgyzstan achieve this objective both on bilateral and on multilateral levels. In this context, we intend to nominate long and short term election observers for the upcoming parliamentary elections.

Thank you, Mr. Chairman.