SECURITY COUNCIL PRESS STATEMENT ON UNITED NATIONS REGIONAL CENTRE FOR PREVENTIVE DIPLOMACY FOR CENTRAL ASIA

The following Security Council press statement was issued today by Council President Peter Wittig (Germany):

The members of the Security Council welcomed the briefing by Miroslav Jenča, Special Representative of the United Nations Secretary-General, on the work of the United Nations Regional Centre for Preventive Diplomacy for Central Asia over the past six months.

The members of the Security Council appreciated the efforts of the Regional Centre as a United Nations mechanism for preventive diplomacy to assist Central Asian countries in responding, in accordance with its mandate and through regional cooperation, to challenges to peace and sustainable development of the region, including solutions to water and energy management, the implementation of the United Nations Global Counter-Terrorism Strategy, as well as with regard to the situations in Kyrgyzstan and Afghanistan. The members of the Security Council encouraged further cooperation and coordination between the Governments of the region, the Regional Centre and relevant regional organizations in this regard.

The members of the Security Council reaffirmed their support for the efforts of the Regional Centre to facilitate dialogue and assist the Governments of Central Asia on regional issues of their common concern.