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**DEPUTY CHAIRMAN
SENATE OF THE PARLIAMENT
OF THE REPUBLIC OF KAZAKHSTAN**

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Dear colleagues,

I would like to thank all national delegations to the OSCE PA that were able to take part in 2021 Remote Session and express my heartfelt thanks to the members of the Parliamentary Assembly who voted in support of my candidacy.

I am humbled by this moment and deeply grateful to my colleagues for electing me to serve as the OSCE PA Vice-President. Thank you for your trust and the opportunity to serve with such accomplished leaders. I am very appreciative of all of you.


Kazakhstan is strongly committed to OSCE principles and values. Co-operation with OSCE is one of the priorities of our foreign policy. As you know, Kazakhstan has been a host to the Assembly's events for many times. We hosted the 17th Annual Session in 2008, Bureau meeting before the OSCE Summit in 2010, and two Trans-Asian parliamentary forums.

It is a great honor and privilege for me to become a second representative of my country after the current President Kassym-Jomart Tokayev who served as the Vice-President of the Assembly in 2008-2011.

My diplomatic experience gives me a deep understanding of the importance of constructive dialogue in addressing global challenges, rebuilding trust and improving security climate throughout the OSCE region.

You can count on my full support, and I look forward to working with you in the coming years.

Sincerely yours,


Askar SHAKIROV
Deputy Head

**Delegation of Kazakhstan to OSCE PA,
Vice-President of the OSCE PA**

TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE OSCE PARLIAMENTARY ASSEMBLY