MINUTES OF THE 79TH MEETING OF THE INTERSTATE COMMISSION FOR WATER COORDINATION (ICWC) OF THE REPUBLIC OF KAZAKHSTAN, KYRGYZ REPUBLIC, REPUBLIC OF TAJIKISTAN, TURKMENISTAN AND REPUBLIC OF UZBEKISTAN

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(video meeting)

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Agenda

- 1. Results of the use of water withdrawal limits and the operation regimes of reservoirs in the Syr Darya River and the Amu Darya River basins over the growing season 2020.
- 2. Approval of the country water withdrawal limits and forecast operation regimes of the reservoir cascades in the Amu Darya and the Syr Darya River basins for the non-growing season 2020-2021.
- 3. Progress on implementation of the proposals and initiatives voiced at the Summit of the Heads of IFAS founder-states in Turkmenbashi.

- 4. Agenda and venue of the next regular 80th meeting of ICWC.
- 5. Additional matters.

Decision on the first item:

Take into account information provided by BWO Amu Darya and BWO Syr Darya on the results of the use of water withdrawal limits and the operation regimes of reservoirs in the Syr Darya River and the Amu Darya River basins over the growing season 2020.

Decision on the second item:

- 1. Approve country water withdrawal limits in the Amu Darya and Syr Darya River basins for the non-growing season 2020-2021 (Annexes 1 and 2).
- 2. Take into account forecast operation regimes of the reservoir cascades proposed by BWO Amu Darya and BWO Syr Darya for the Amu Darya (Annex 3) and the Syr Darya (Annex 4) basins for the non-growing season 2020-2021.
- 3. The Kazakh party proposed to consider and approve water withdrawal limits on the Karadarya River and the Chirchik River. In this context, the parties instructed BWO Syr Darya to draft a proposal on setting and approval of water withdrawal limits for the Karadarya River and the Chirchik River on the basis of existing regulations.

Decision on the third item:

Take into account information of SIC ICWC on progress on implementation of the proposals and initiatives of the Heads of IFAS Founder-States voiced at the Summit of the Heads of IFAS Founder-States (Turkmenbashi city, 24 August 2018).

Decision on the fourth item:

- 1. Hold the next ordinary 80th meeting of ICWC in Dushanbe. The date of the meeting is to be negotiated in due course.
 - 2. Propose the following agenda for the next ordinary 80th meeting of ICWC:
- 1) Results of the use of water withdrawal limits and the operation regimes of the reservoir cascades in the Amu Darya and Syr Darya River basins over the non-growing season 2020-2021;

- 2) Approval of the country water withdrawal limits and forecast operation regimes of the reservoir cascades in the Amu Darya and Syr Darya River basins for the growing season 2021.
- 3) Progress on implementation of the proposals and initiatives voiced at the Summit of the Heads of IFAS Founder-States in Turkmenbashi city.
 - 4) Additional matters;
 - 5) Agenda and venue of the next ordinary 81st meeting of ICWC.

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