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## **Forum for 21st century on International Assistance in Afghanistan**

### **Propositions of the delegation of Afghanistan to the 1<sup>st</sup> Draft issued by the Forum**

As the delegation of Afghanistan, we would like to thank the Forum for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century for creating the platform and organizing a conference on Global Security Issues. We express our full support towards solving the challenges and efforts to reach a global understanding among conference attending participants. We are calling for a multilateral cooperation and discussion in order to coordinate our interests and find a common solution on the issue of Development Aid for Afghanistan. After an in-depth analysis on the first draft we would like to annotate it and include our suggestions as well.

The future of Afghanistan as one of the most important global security issues is discussed more intensively within the context of conclusion of ISAF mission in 2014. But this is only one aspect of a problem. The International Community has strong interest in cooperation and development of this country. There is a whole complex of areas which have to be taken into consideration.

#### *Notes*

<sup>35</sup><sub>17</sub> The cooperation between the International Community and Afghan government is expressed in outcome of the Tokyo international Conference on Afghanistan, From Transition to Transformation. The participants showed their interests and need to establish the foundation of development and growth. The commitments in the areas of peace, security, governance and development were confirmed and renewed.

<sup>35</sup><sub>17</sub> Since December 2001 the ISAF mission has been present in Afghanistan to assist the Afghan government to establish secure and stable environment. Together with the Government of the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan and the Afghan National Security Forces created the essential conditions for security and the assumption for further development and growth.



- <sup>35</sup><sub>17</sub> There are several aspects of development aid which has to be discussed. The primary goal is to secure the peace in the country. With leaving of the ISAF in 2014 appropriate steps and measures have to be adopted to keep the stability and peace within the region. This will be the task for The Afghan National Army which will be provided by international assistance.
- <sup>35</sup><sub>17</sub> The Afghan Government expressed its appreciation to the International Community for its support, cooperation and in security and development of Afghanistan
- <sup>35</sup><sub>17</sub> It is more than important to determine the most appropriate form of international aid to secure the real needs of the Afghans. That ´s why the cooperation has to be based on multilateral negotiations, mutual respect, presenting the needs and interests in order to be successful in fulfilling the priorities.
- <sup>35</sup><sub>17</sub> The participants recognized the importance of the security and peace keeping in accordance with human rights and international law and being the basis for any further development. After 2014 security will be provided by the Afghan National Security Force. The International Community committed to provide the Afghan National Army and Afghan National Police with training, equipping, financing during the Transformation Decade.
- <sup>35</sup><sub>17</sub> Education is considered to be one of the crucial issues in development of country. The primary goal is to provide all school aged boys and girls with primary education by 2020. Another task is to raise and educate the professionals in this field to secure the future educational system which has to be developed.
- <sup>35</sup><sub>17</sub> In area of economic development the aim of Afghanistan is to secure economic growth and self-reliance. For this purpose the strategy of *Towards Self Reliance* was developed and implemented. The Participants noted the importance of promoting domestic and foreign investment in Afghanistan and creating the cross-country partnership.
- <sup>35</sup><sub>17</sub> The Afghan Government affirmed to improve the equality of men and women, secure the fundamental freedoms of citizens and human rights, which are guaranteed by the Constitution and Afghan ´s international human rights commitments.



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<sup>35</sup><sub>17</sub> Although the Slovak republic is not a direct participant of the negotiations, it can be a good example for Afghanistan concerning the process of transition and transformation. Slovakia can provide Afghans with its own experience in the field of democratization as well as to offer professionals for educating their own specialists.

**Proposals**

- <sup>35</sup><sub>17</sub> It is inevitable to take some aspects into consideration into account
- the financial support itself will not be enough
  - the direct foreign investments are really needed to creating the appropriate structure of the Afghan economy as well as access to markets of the US, EU and ASEAN will be really beneficial for Afghanistan trade development
  - education of future their own professionals and specialists will be really essential for their long- term future sustainable development
  - the role of Islam in society and education has to be determined very clearly.

