

PROCEEDING # 19
 of the Interstate Coordination Water Commission's (ICWC) Meeting
 of the Republic of Kazakhstan, the Kyrgyz Republic, the Republic of Tadjikistan,
 Turkmenistan and the Republic of Uzbekistan

Shymkent

May 15, 1998

Attendees:
ICWC Members

T.T.Sarsembekov	Chairman of the Committee of Water Resources of the Republic of Kazakhstan
A.V.Kostyuk	First Deputy Chief of the Water Department of the Ministry of Agriculture and Water Management of the Kyrgyz Republic
D.M.Maksudov	Minister of Reclamation and Water Management of the Republic of Tadjikistan
T.A.Altiyev	Deputy Minister of Reclamation and Water Management of Turkmenistan
A.A.Jalalov	Deputy Minister of Agriculture and Water Management of the Republic of Uzbekistan

ICWC Honorary Members

R.A.Giniyatullin	EC IFAS Chairman
N.K.Kipshakbayev	SIC ICWC Kazakh Branch Director

ICWC Organizations

I.J.Kalandarov	BWO "AmuDarya" Head
O.G.Lysenko	BWO "AmuDarya" Water Resources Department Head
M.M.Khamidov	BWO "SyrDarya" Head
A.I.Leshansky	BWO "SyrDarya" Water Distribution and Water Balances Department Head
V.A.Dukhovny	SIC ICWC Director
G.A.Negmatov	ICWC Secretariat Head

Invited

K.A.Abdullayev	South-Kazakhstan region Akim
S.O.Turbekov	South-Kazakhstan region Deputy Akim
R.S.Khalmuradov	Council Secretary for the South-Kazakhstan region Sustainable Development Council
I.T.Tursynkulov	South-Kazakhstan region Administration Department Head
A.K.Kudjanov	Head of the Kzyl Orda Provincial Committee for Water Resources of the Republic of Kazakhstan
K.P.Polatov	Head of the South-Kazakhstan Provincial Committee for

A.A.Pridatkin	Water Resources of the Republic of Kazakhstan “Power” Joint Direction Director
B.I.Pedan	Head of Central Control Services AS “Kyrgyzenergo”
A.K.Nauryzbayev	President of AS “Kegok”
K.D.Dukenbayev	Vice-president of AS “Kegok”
D.G.Goshayev	Head of the Operation Department of Minvodkhoz of Turkmenistan
Yu.I.Sokolsky	Head of Department of Scientific-Technical and Water Re- sources of the Republic of Tadjikistan
B.M.Yusupov	Head of Department of Water Resources Balance of the Re- public of Uzbekistan

Chairman is T.T.Sarsembekov – Chairman of the Committee of Water Resources of the Republic of Kazakhstan

AGENDA

1. The results of the non-growing period of 1997-1998 and the clarification of the water reservoirs’ cascade operation regime and the water intake limits in AmuDarya river basin for the growing period of 1998 (Responsible: BWO “AmuDarya” and BWO “SyrDarya”).

2. The report on the works on the complex use and Aral Sea basin’s water resources protection information system’s development and the main points on the information exchange (Responsible: SIC ICWC).

3. About giving the international status to BWO “AmuDarya” and BWO “SyrDarya” (Responsible: BWO “AmuDarya” and BWO “SyrDarya”).

4. An additional point “The main goals and aspects of the Aral Sea basin’s water resources rational use strategy” enclosed according to the EC IFAS Administration’s decision of March 12, 1998.

After the meeting participant’s presentations have been heard and opinions exchange has been executed ICWC members have decided:

ON THE FIRST QUESTION

1. To take into consideration BWO “AmuDarya” and BWO “SyrDarya” measures on the water intake limits’ fulfillment and reservoirs’ operation cascade regime provision on AmuDarya and SyrDarya rivers for the non-growing period of 1997-1998.

2. To approve the precised water intake limits from AmuDarya and SyrDarya rivers and also the reservoirs’ operation cascade regime for a growing period of 1998 and water supply volumes for Aral Sea and the Aral coastal zone (See Appendix I).

3. To accept AS “Kegok” President Mr. A.Nauryzbayev’s announcement of the fulfillment of coal and power delivery and power acceptance volumes, determined by the interstate Agreement of March 17, 1998. These volumes will allow to supply the middle and lower reaches of SyrDarya river including Dustlik canal as well as the Chardara inflow in accordance with the regime, approved by the ICWC for the current growing period.

ON THE SECOND QUESTION

1. To note that ICWC organizations' members – SIC ICWC, BWO "AmuDarya" and BWO "SyrDarya" have fulfilled the considerable work on the first phase of the data base creation, its centers' initial equipment, common coordinated approaches development, however at the present time the data base is not completed and not prepared for solution of the most important tasks of efficient management and the perspective planning.

2. To take into account that the "Agreement between the Republic of Kazakhstan, the Kyrgyz Republic, the Republic of Tadjikistan, Turkmenistan and the Republic of Uzbekistan on the information exchange for Aral Sea basin's water resources use and protection" is not yet completed.

To complete the Agreement's text it is necessary to create the working group, which includes every ICWC member's representative with the Ministry's comments till June 1, 1998.

3. To ask ICWC members to finance ABP development, at the first turn to check the data and prepare it for the system's first line exploitation and also to finish completion of information centers' national stuff.

4. To accept EC IFAS Chairman (Mr. Giniyatullin) announcement of the working group's financing for EC IFAS expense.

ON THE THIRD QUESTION

1. To ask ICWC members through of their governments to support approval of "Agreement between the Republic of Kazakhstan, the Kyrgyz Republic, the Republic of Tadjikistan, Turkmenistan and the Republic of Uzbekistan on the Status of International Fund of Aral saving and its organizations" by the heads of states.

2. For BWO "AmuDarya" and BWO "SyrDarya" to bring in the proper changes into the organizations' rules and submit draft rules for the consideration and approval.

ON THE ADDITIONAL QUESTION

1. To note that during last years in the region as a whole attention to the water resources saving is weakened.

2. For ICWC members to take additional measures on the water resources productivity rise and specific water consumption reduction.

Agenda of the next 20-th ICWC Meeting in Kyrgyz Republic, July, 1998

1. About growing period irrigation execution of the current year and additional measures on its successful completion.

2. About interstate water structures and objects' technical state and necessary measures in relation with current high flow in 1998.

3. The consideration of the project "Agreement on information exchange of the or-

ganizations, managing the Aral Sea basin's water and land resources use".

4. About the next ICWC Meeting agenda.

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