

## **MINUTES OF THE 67<sup>TH</sup> 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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Issyk-Kul, Kyrgyz Republic

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**Invited:**

Karlykhanov Adilkhan Karlykhanovich	Head of the Aral-Syrdarya BWI, Committee for Water Resources, Ministry of Environment and Water Resources of the Republic of Kazakhstan
Zhienbaev Musilim Rysmakhanovich	Head of Transboundary rivers Division of Water and Biological Resources Department, Ministry of Agriculture of the Republic of Kazakhstan
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Karbozin Kaysar Kayratovich	First Secretary of Pan-Asian Cooperation Department, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Republic of Kazakhstan
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Ospanov Medet Ospanovich	Director, Executive Direction of IFAS in the Republic of Kazakhstan
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Zheenaliev Almaz Zheenalievich	Head of Agricultural sector and Environment Administration, Government Office of the Kyrgyz Republic
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Batyrkulov Bolot Baibachaevich	Head of Talass Basin Water Management Administration

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Abibilaev Ruslan Arzykulovich	Head of Osh Basin Water Management Administration
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Gafarov Bakhrom Abdulafizovich	Deputy Director of Land Reclamation and Irrigation Agency under the Government of the Republic of Tajikistan
Paschyev Yanov Durdyevich	Head of Operations Administration, Ministry of Water Resources of Turkmenistan
Kuchkarov Sharifzhon Zikrillaevich	Head of Water Balance and Advanced Water Saving Technologies Division, MAWR of the Republic of Uzbekistan
Nikolaenko Aleksandr Yurevich	Regional Adviser, German Society for International Cooperation (GIZ), Transboundary Water Resources Management Program in Central Asia (TWRMP CA)

## **Agenda of the 67<sup>th</sup> Meeting of ICWC**

1. The results of fulfillment of water withdrawal quotas and operation regimes of the reservoir cascade in the Amudarya and Syrdarya River Basins over the growing season 2015 and the forecasts for the non-growing season 2015-2016.
2. Presentation and discussion of the proposals and comments received in the course of interdepartmental approval at the national level of the draft Agreement between the Republic of Kazakhstan, the Kyrgyz Republic, the Republic of Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, and the Republic of Uzbekistan on the Information and Analytical Support of Water Management, Use, and Protection in the Aral Sea Basin and the Arrangement of Interstate Exchange of Information.
3. Consideration of the GIZ Project Concept “Promoting enhancement of regional water cooperation in Central Asia by building capacities of BWO Amudarya, BWO Syrdarya and their divisions”.
4. Agenda and venue of the next 68<sup>th</sup> ICWC meeting

### **Decisions on the first item:**

1. Take note of the information of BWO Amudarya and BWO Syrdarya about the results of fulfillment of water withdrawal quotas and operation regimes of the reservoir cascades during the growing season 2015 in the Amudarya and Syrdarya River Basins;
2. Mention that water withdrawal quotas for the previous growing season in the Syrdarya River basin were not approved by all parties;
3. Take note of concerns by Tajik party of repeated situation in the Syrdarya River basin related to severe drop in inflow into the Kayrakkum reservoir in the second half of August and to reduced water delivery from the main interstate canals. The Tajik party underlined a need to take measures in order to avoid such kind of situation in the future.
4. Approve country water withdrawal quotas and the forecast operation regime of the reservoir cascades for the growing season 2015-2016 in the Amudarya River basin;
5. BWO Amudarya and BWO Syrdarya should take all measures to improve reporting in view of the time-frames (each ten-days and monthly) and water intake structures;
6. Take note of the forecast operation regime of the reservoir cascades for the non-growing season 2015-2016 in the Syrdarya River basin;
7. In the reports BWO Syrdarya should indicate data on water intake

downstream of the Shardara reservoir.

**Decision of the second item:**

1. Take note of the information of the Parties about the results of interdepartmental approval at the national level of the draft Agreement between the Republic of Kazakhstan, the Kyrgyz Republic, the Republic of Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, and the Republic of Uzbekistan on the Information and Analytical Support of Water Management, Use, and Protection in the Aral Sea Basin and the Arrangement of Interstate Exchange of Information.

**Decisions on the third item:**

1. Take note of the information about GIZ Project Concept “Promoting enhancement of regional water cooperation in Central Asia by building capacities of BWO Amudarya, BWO Syrdarya and their divisions, and ICWC Secretariat”.

2. Recommend GIZ to coordinate activities with all parties in implementation of the Project.

**Decision on the fourth item:**

1. Approve agenda, date and venue of the 68<sup>th</sup> ICWC meeting in due course.

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