

**Dear Chair,
Dear participants,**

As you are well aware the world is moving fast in terms of technological development. The illicit drug trafficking field is not an exception. The organized criminal groups are very quick in using the technological progress for their illegal activities. That is why it is increasingly becoming challenging to cope with technological based activities of the drug related criminal groups. Given this we found it quite important not to lag behind them in terms of using technological advanced means. To this end we decided to table the completely new draft resolution with a purpose to strengthen and make our common efforts in countering drug related crimes as effective as possible.

We do strongly believe that unmanned\uncrewed or remotely piloted aircraft system is one of those effective tools. The Kyrgyz Republic has proved on its own experience the efficiency of using UAS in countering drug related crimes especially in the light of country\s difficult terrain. We all know that more or less all countries in the world are using modern technologies in their efforts against illicit drug trafficking. The main objective of our draft resolution is to unite our efforts and put them under the auspices of UN system to make sure that the use of UAS is carried out in manageable, controllable and responsible way, in full conformity with applicable international laws.

Until the very end we've done our utmost to convey this message to the all Member states. But as we are the pioneers with this topic which is the brand-new theme for the CND we received a lot of feedback, different views and comments from the states and we can surely claim that this topic is interesting and important for CND. And we should continue our discussions on the margins of the CND. We appreciate the active engagement of Member states in the discussion of the draft resolution.

Everything has its beginning point. We strongly believe that by bringing to the spotlight of the CND this topic we created the basis for future discussions and cooperation between Member states and UN system on this comprehensive sphere.

Bearing in mind above mentioned and due to the made a decision to defer this draft resolution to the next session of the CND. Using this opportunity, we would like to express our sincere gratitude to the Republic of Kazakhstan as our reliable partner for tabling the draft of the resolution.

In this regard we hope that all Member states will support our future efforts on this document at the next session in 2024 given its far-reaching contribution for strengthening international cooperation to address and counter the world drug problem.