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Constitutional referendum in Kazakhstan: a new stage of reforms

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We, the undersigned, declare the following:

We commend the outcome of the constitutional referendum held on 15 March 2026 in the Republic of Kazakhstan as an important stage in the institutional transformation of the State and the modernisation of its system of public governance.

We welcome the stated objectives of the reforms, which include a transition towards a more balanced model of governance, the strengthening of accountability mechanisms, the expansion of citizens' access to constitutional justice, as well as the reinforcement of human rights guarantees.

We note the ongoing constructive dialogue between the Republic of Kazakhstan and the Council of Europe within existing frameworks of co-operation, aimed at exchanging experiences in the fields of constitutional development, rule of law, and protection of human rights.

We express our readiness to support efforts aimed at further strengthening the principles of rule of law and democratic governance in Kazakhstan as a reliable partner in the Eurasian region.

Signed (see overleaf)

Signed[1]*:*

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