

**OUTCOME STATEMENT**  
**International Conference on the 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the End of World War II**  
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We, the participants of the international conference organized by the Interparliamentary Assembly of the CIS Member Nations and dedicated to the 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the End of World War II,

*noting* the relevance of the historical lessons learned after the tragic events of a degree unmatched before caused by the large-scale spread of Fascist, Nazi and militaristic ideologies,

*considering* that the victory of the Anti-Hitler Coalition in World War II facilitated the establishing of the United Nations and building the international security framework to prevent wars and rid the future generations of the scourges of war,

*welcoming* the 70th anniversary of the Nuremberg Trials which consolidated the outcomes of World War II and played a critical role for the progress of the modern international law,

*noting further* the progress reached after World War II in promoting international and regional cooperation, primarily, within the UN framework, establishing of regional and sub-regional organizations and other cooperation mechanisms,

*stating* that current issues of migration and refugees constitute the critical challenges of today and that the world is facing new challenges and threats setting elevated standards of the international security framework,

*drawing attention* to the fact that in the age of globalization relations among nations need, as never before, to build on the spirit of accord and cooperation without imposing conformity and aimed at elimination of any forms of ethnic and cultural intolerance

call for ending the conflict in Syria through the facilitation of contacts among the sensible Syrian parties in conflict in order to start a political dialogue on Syria's future and form a broad coalition to combat the IS terrorist threat;

confirm the commitment to the goals and principles of the United Nations Charter, a firm foundation of today's international relations, and call on governments to fully respect the decisions of the Nuremberg Trials which proclaimed that the prevention of crimes against humanity shall be the responsibility of governments. Failure to respect the decisions of the Nuremberg Trials can lead to the spread of new forms of

racism, ethnic discrimination, xenophobia and russophobia, a current form of anti-Sovietism;

look forward to reviving the debate of the international community on building a common political, humanitarian and economic space from the Atlantic to the Pacific Ocean including the alignment of integration processes based on security cooperation between the UN and Eurasian regional organizations;

convinced that the international community and the peoples of Eurasia can build a region of peace, tolerance and prosperity only through common efforts;

stress that regional order shall be based on the principles of the UN Charter and the rule of international law;

express confidence that measures aimed at strengthening trust in war and political sphere and promoting the transparency of arms control are cornerstones of military security across Europe, Asia and globally;

affirm that terrorism and extremism can be defeated through a consistent, balanced, multi-faceted and comprehensive approach with an active involvement of all States, international, regional, sub-regional organizations, and the civil society;

state that the commitment of the international community to the priority of protecting fundamental rights and freedoms of people, primarily, the right to life can stop the surge of violence with the support of civil society institutions;

believe it is necessary to develop and use various forms of parliamentary diplomacy in every possible way with a strong focus on the promotion of cooperation framework among young parliamentarians in different countries;

believe it is essential to streamline the framework of education and awareness-raising as the most efficient vehicle to build a society of pluralism and tolerance denying neo-Nazi ideology, racial and religious hatred and intolerance.