

**5<sup>th</sup> Ministerial Conference on  
Central Asia Regional Economic Cooperation  
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**Closing Statement  
Uzbekistan**

First of all it is necessary to say that the Ministerial Conference today discussed issues, and I deem these issues as important, regarding further development of regional cooperation of CAREC member countries, reflecting the actual need to transfer relations among countries of the region and IFIs into a practical dimension. Comprehensive Action Plan and Urumqi Declaration adopted today reflect countries' interest to continue active implementation of the projects planned. The main output of the work today is the accomplishment of member countries' unified vision on prioritizing and sequencing regional cooperation initiatives, that bring expected results. We will continue joint efforts to successfully implement initiatives by ADB and other International Financial Institutions.

Once again, allow me to extend gratitude to the management of People's Republic of China, ADB management and CAREC Secretariat for doing this important work aimed at region's development.

Thank you for your attention.

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