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Statement Concerning the Agreement with Kazakhstan
Amending the Agreement of October 3, 1995, as amended, Concerning
the Elimination of Infrastructure for Weapons of Mass Destruction.
Signed at Astana and Washington July 7 and August 13, 2009.
Entered into force August 13, 2009.

Explanation of Agreement:

This Agreement amends the 1995Agreement between the Department of Defense of the United States of America and the Ministry of Energy and Mineral Resources of the Republic of Kazakhstan by: (1) replacing the words "one hundred fifty-eight million U.S. dollars" in Article III, paragraph 1, with the words "two hundred seventy-three million U.S. dollars"; and (2) adding at the end of Article III, paragraph 1: "DoD may use the two hundred seventy-three million U.S. dollars as follows: one hundred sixty-one million U.S. dollars for biological threat reduction activities and one hundred twelve million U.S. dollars for weapons of mass destruction nonproliferation activities."

Legal Authority:

Article II of the United States Constitution and the Cooperative Threat Reduction Act of 1993, 22 U.S.C. §§ 5951-5958, as amended.

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