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**Statement by the Delegation of the Republic of Azerbaijan
at the Working Session II
of the 2011 Annual Security Review Conference**

Delivered by Ambassador G.Israfilov in exercise of the Right of reply

Mr. Moderator,

We haven't had intention to take the floor for the second time, but the statement by the distinguished representative of Armenia forced us to speak.

It is surprising that in his statement the delegate of Armenia has blamed Azerbaijan for introducing last moment changes during the meeting in Kazan, while the statement that came out of that meeting agreed to by the Presidents of Azerbaijan, Russian Federation and Armenia, Ministers of Foreign Affairs of three countries and Co-chairmen of OSCE Minsk Group and, referred to here by the Representative of Russian Federation, said that sides registered achievement of mutual understanding on a number of issues and agreed to continue work on the remaining issues.

Equally, this Delegation did not understand similar remarks for Armenian press made by Minister Nalbandian after the Kazan meeting. It creates an impression that the Armenian side either would like to put a blame for its non-constructive attitude at the Kazan meeting on Azerbaijan or such statements by Armenia are used for internal consumption.

As for alleged references to the rhetoric by the Azerbaijani leadership, the mere fact that Azerbaijan over the last two decades remains committed to the political resolution of the Armenia-Azerbaijan Nagorno-Karabakh conflict is a clear demonstration of our resolve to find solution to this conflict through negotiations.

Azerbaijan is developing and over these years we, jointly with the countries of the region have initiated and realized a number of trans-regional projects. Our policy brought positive dynamic in the region that benefited not only Azerbaijan, but also neighboring countries of the region and beyond. We are developing at a high pace and, at the same time, we know the situation in Armenia. Until the conflict is settled, this gap would be ever increasing.

As for the reference to the principle of threat or use of force against the territorial integrity of states, I have made my points in previous intervention.

Thank you.