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Regarding the results of the presidential elections in Kyrgyzstan

Madam Chairperson,

Further to the statement by the distinguished representative of Kyrgyzstan, I should like to make the following brief comment.

In our view, the proposal voiced by the Central Commission of the Kyrgyz Republic on Elections and Referendums attests to the authorities' serious intention to meet fully and in good faith their obligations as regards the holding of democratic elections.

At the same time, we wish to once again draw attention to the different reception by participating States of the assessments released by the Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights on the outcome of election processes within the OSCE area. This fact once again points up the need to continue discussions on the formulation of consensus-based rules for election monitoring by the Warsaw Office.

Thank you for your attention.