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Letter dated 16 October 2024 from the Permanent Representative of Turkmenistan to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to transmit herewith the outcome document of the international forum entitled "Interrelation of times and civilizations: the basis of peace and development", dedicated to the 300th anniversary of Magtymguly Fragi's birth and held in Ashgabat, Turkmenistan, on 11 October 2024 (see annex).

I would be very grateful if you could kindly have the present letter and its annex circulated as a document of the General Assembly under agenda items 14 and 64.

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Outcome document of the international forum entitled “Interrelation of times and civilizations – the basis of peace and development” dedicated to the 300th anniversary of the birth of Magtymguly Fragi

The international forum entitled “Interrelation of times and civilizations – the basis of peace and development” took place on 11 October 2024. It was attended by the President of Turkmenistan, the President of the Republic of Armenia, the President of the Islamic Republic of Iran, the President of the Republic of Kazakhstan, the President of the Kyrgyz Republic, the President of Mongolia, the President of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan, the President of the Russian Federation, the President of the Republic of Tajikistan, the President of the Republic of Uzbekistan, the Speaker of the Grand National Assembly of Türkiye, heads of international organizations, members of foreign Governments, prominent scientists, cultural figures and diplomats.

The participants in the international forum:

As part of the large-scale events to be held in 2024 in Turkmenistan on the theme “The fount of wisdom of Magtymguly Fragi”, which are dedicated to celebrating the 300th anniversary of the birth of the great thinker Magtymguly Fragi and designed to support the study of the rich literary heritage of the classical poet and disseminate it throughout the world,

Noting the relevance and modernity of Magtymguly’s work, which is based on the ideas of unity, humanism and friendship, and emphasizing his special role in the formation of patriotic consciousness and the spiritual and moral education of the younger generation, as well as the importance of restoring and preserving the cultural heritage and spiritual values of the people,

Seeking to explore the inextricable interconnectedness of times and civilizations as the foundation for peace and development,

Taking into account the international recognition of the role and significance in world literature of the work of this classical poet, as reflected in a resolution of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) General Conference of 21 November 2023, by which the 300th anniversary of the Turkmen poet Magtymguly Fragi was included in the UNESCO list of celebrations, as well as the inclusion of the collection of manuscripts of Magtymguly Fragi in the Memory of the World International Register,

Welcoming the opening of the Magtymguly Fragi cultural and park complex in Ashgabat with an alley of sculptures of world-renowned thinkers and classical poets as an embodiment of the friendship of peoples, as called for by Magtymguly Fragi in his immortal works,

In a spirit of respect for history, cultural heritage, national values, customs and traditions, in view of the special contribution of this poet and philosopher in fostering diligence, bravery and courage:

1. *Confirmed* the importance of further promotion of the national traditions and culture of the peoples of the world, and the cultivating the interest in the young

generation in the study of national creativity and the culture of different States of the world.

2. *Noted with satisfaction* that the works of the classical poet had been translated into many languages of the world and published in dozens of countries; and acknowledged the need to further stimulate the preparation for printing and publication of collections of poems and selected works of the outstanding Turkmen poet.

In that regard, they noted the great potential for actively considering the publication of an “Encyclopedia of Magtymguly Fragi”, which would contain information on the research works of scholars studying the literary heritage of Magtymguly.

3. *Noted* that closer cooperation in the study and dissemination of the literary heritage of this classic poet would contribute to restoring and preserving cultural heritage and spiritual values.

4. *Emphasized* that the poetic heritage of Magtymguly Fragi constitutes a significant contribution by the Turkmen people to world culture and an inexhaustible source of humanism, love for the Motherland and respect for universal values.

5. *Stated* that they would continue to support the holding at various venues of international academic conferences, round tables, literary and creative evenings and exhibitions dedicated to the works of Magtymguly Fragi.

6. *Expressed* the opinion that cultural dialogue to promote the works of the great thinker Magtymguly Fragi makes a significant contribution to the development of comprehensive cooperation between States, serves to strengthen friendship and mutual understanding between peoples, and a mutual enrichment of their cultures. Accordingly, they agreed to fully support the further development of mutually beneficial cooperation in that area.

7. *Expressed* their deep gratitude to the people and leadership of Turkmenistan for the high level of organization and hosting of the international forum entitled “Interrelation of times and civilizations – the basis for peace and development” dedicated to the 300th anniversary of the birth of Magtymguly Fragi, as well as for the warm hospitality extended to the participants in Ashgabat.
