

**Speech of Ambassador Ramil Hasan,
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action in times of crisis"**

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Excellencies,
Distinguished parliamentarians,
Ladies and gentlemen,

As the Secretary General, I am very pleased to represent here, in capacity of observer, the Parliamentary Assembly of Turkic States, in short, TURKPA. It is great honor to address this distinguished Assembly today.

TURKPA is the parliamentary dimension of Turkic cooperation. While implementing its mandate, TURKPA attaches particular significance to the exploring opportunities for constructive engagement with regional and global inter-parliamentary organizations. In this context, I would like to mention that TURKPA has been participating in the IPU activities as an observer since 2011.

The IPU platform provides a great opportunity to share the views on the issues of global agenda, including those in the field of humanitarian policy.

Every day we live, we witness the reality that violations of humanitarian norms continue around the world. Whether through countless ongoing conflicts and wars, or through the processes related to climate change and migration, all these factors have a significant impact on humanitarian norms. These are one of the most important issues on the agenda of leading international organizations in the recent years, since they cause profound humanitarian suffering and challenge the very foundations of international law and solidarity.

The current global situation requires taking concerted actions to uphold humanitarian norms and ensure protection for the most vulnerable.

Governments, parliaments, and international organizations must act together to translate humanitarian commitments into real and effective measures on the ground, since they are the very foundation of peace, stability and dignity. Therefore, these challenges are not the issues to be resolved by individual states, but within the framework of international cooperation. This is the responsibility of all nations, parliaments, governments and peoples.

In this context, participation of TURKPA in such an event is very important. Cooperation of Turkic States with other neighbors in the Eurasian space and good neighborly policy contribute to the formation of common approaches to problems, as well as to the solution of the mentioned issue, which is the core of this event. Such platforms can provide ample opportunities for further deepening and development of existing partnerships.

In conclusion, I would like to note that TURKPA stands ready to deepen cooperation with IPU and other parliamentary platforms to further expand the frontiers of international cooperation and is open to collaboration with other international organizations to discuss the issues of mutual interest, including those related to the upholding and supporting humanitarian norms.

Thank you for your attention.