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The Ministry of Agriculture and Environmental Protection of Turkmenistan expresses its gratitude to the CAREC, experts and employees of different ministries, agencies, scientific organizations for their contribution to the development of Proposals for structure and content of the National Strategy of Turkmenistan to reduce the risks of sand and dust storms. Sand and dust storms are becoming a common atmospheric phenomenon in arid and semi-arid regions of our country, with a negative impact on the economy, vital activities and public health.

We express our special gratitude to the Secretariat of the UN Convention to Combat Desertification for support of this initiative and coordination of the entire process.

This document on analysis of the current situation, which includes the concept of an action plan for the prevention and mitigation of sand and dust storms, will be a good basis for further work in this area.

Once again, we would like to express our gratitude and sincere appreciation to the UNCCD secretariat and CAREC for cooperation and support of national initiatives, and wish further fruitful cooperation in dealing with desertification and land degradation.

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