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RECENT DISASTROUS SITUATION IN THE REPUBLIC OF TAJIKISTAN

Heavy continuous precipitations in the Republic of Tajikistan brought about floods, flood inflows, mud flows and landslides in various parts of the country, as a result of which huge damage was done to the national economy. Regrettably, there have been human casualties, among children, in particular. The natural disaster affected more than 40 cities, towns and districts in all country's provinces.

There were totally destructed over *two thousand* houses, *hundreds* of social and cultural structures, including schools and hospitals, communication and production facilities, and over *ten thousand* people remained without shelter. *160 kilometers* of highways were damaged, *40 bridges* were destructed, and the electrical lines, pumping facilities, transformer stations, and over *150 km* of canals and irrigation lines were broken. The agriculture of the country happened to be mostly affected: it suffered the total loss of food crops and those of technical agricultural products, and of more than *3 thousand* units of animal stock. Permanent vegetation was ruined, and considerable sown crops areas were flooded. Dozens of hectares need sowing of new crops, and require agricultural and technical measures, which involves considerable material and financial resources.

According to the preliminary estimations, the total damage accounts for 100 million US dollars.

The Government of the country is undertaking all feasible measures to render assistance to the population of the affected areas and to restore the ruined facilities. The situation is aggravated by a difficult access to some affected zones. The country

experiences a significant shortage of construction materials, metallic structures, fuel, food products, medications, seeds, mineral fertilizers, tents and movable energy generators.

Given the fact that the Government's resources are limited because of the global crisis, it is becoming obvious that, despite the undertaken efforts, Tajikistan does not have sufficient capacity to single-handedly address the consequences of natural disasters.

In this regard, the Government of the Republic of Tajikistan addresses all UN member states and other international organizations with an appeal to render urgent assistance.