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**Letter dated 16 September 2004 from the Permanent  
Representative of Kazakhstan to the United Nations addressed  
to the Secretary-General**

I have the honour to forward to you the text of the joint statement entitled “Central Asia + Japan”, signed by the Ministers for Foreign Affairs of Japan, the Republic of Kazakhstan, the Kyrgyz Republic, the Republic of Tajikistan and the Republic of Uzbekistan at a meeting held in Astana, Kazakhstan, on 28 August 2004 (see annex).

I should be grateful if you would have the present letter and its annex circulated as a document of the General Assembly, under agenda items 27, 39 (d), 83 (a) and 148, and of the Security Council.

(Signed) Yerzhan Kh. **Kazykhanov**

**Annex to the letter dated 16 September 2004 from the Permanent Representative of Kazakhstan to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General**

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