

INFORMATION ON RECENT EVENTS ON THE TAJIK-KYRGYZ BORDER

The friendship of two fraternal peoples, Tajiks and Kirghiz, has a long history. Tajik-Kyrgyz friendship has its roots in the distant past. The two peoples have been living in the neighborhood for several centuries. From time immemorial, Tajikistan and Kyrgyzstan have been connected not only by the commonality of cultures and traditions, but also by trade and economic relations. Poets and writers of Tajikistan and Kyrgyzstan sang of peace, friendship and solidarity between the two peoples. A good example is the friendship and social and political activities of the famous Tajik poet Mirzo Tursunzade and famous Kyrgyz writer Chingiz Aymatov. According to Chingiz Aimatov, Mirzo Tursunzade often, in private and public conversations, liked to repeat that Tajiks and Kyrgyz are not only good neighbors, but they are like relatives.

But, unfortunately, the latest events taking place on the Tajik-Kyrgyz border are very sad. During the border conflict that began on September 14 this year, dozens of people died, including minor children, pregnant women, conscripts, officers, people, the elderly and hundreds of wounded. As a result of this conflict, dozens of residential buildings were burned and hundreds of thousands of people fled their homes.

According to information sources, it became known that the President of the Russian Federation V.V. Putin discussed by telephone with the leaders of Kyrgyzstan and Tajikistan the situation on the Tajik-Kyrgyz border and called on Bishkek and Dushanbe to resolve the border conflict exclusively by peaceful means. Representatives of other countries and organizations also expressed their concerns.

Our team expresses sympathy for those affected and calls on both sides to respect the ceasefire and redouble efforts to restore calm through diplomatic means, as hundreds of civilian lives are at stake.