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**Commission on Science and Technology
for Sustainable Development in the South
(COMSATS)
Executive Director
Dr. Syed Muhammed Junaid Zaidi**

Dear Dr. Junaid Zaidi,

In the resolution of the 21st meeting of the COMSATS Coordination Council in April 2018, Al-Farabi Kazakh National University fully supported further actions of the Commission in the field of protection, restoration of ecosystems and undertaking immediate steps aimed to combat climate change and its consequences.

Al-Farabi KazNU is a recognized international and statewide climate-change research center with highly qualified human resource capacities and modern scientific and technical base. That fact made Al-Farabi KazNU a Global Hub of the UN to manage sustainable development, and in May 2018 Al-Farabi KazNU opened Ban Ki-moon Institute for Sustainable Development aimed to promote UN initiatives and contribute towards the implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals. Currently Al-Farabi KazNU works with Columbia University to prepare qualified masters for sustainable development.

We applaud the commitment undertaken by COMSATS to fight climate change and major threats that it may cause. As you are already aware of, our researchers and students cooperate with COMSATS via participation in conferences, forums, exhibitions and scientific internships dedicated, inter alia, to the implementation of measures to address climate change.

In view of the above, Al-Farabi KazNU would like to show willingness for COMSATS to establish Center for Climate and Sustainability in Kazakhstan on the basis of the University.

Thank you for your continuous cooperation and effort put into combating the challenges.

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