Forensic science centre of the Ministry of Justice of the Republic of Kazakhstan on 7-8 September 2012 in Almaty (Kazakhstan) have been planned activities aimed at improving of the forensic science system, and development of international cooperation

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1. **International scientific-practical conference "East-West: Partnership in forensic science / «Topical issues of forensic science»**.

Successful cooperation between the expert systems of the world, and effective exchange of experience in the field of forensic science guaranteed with the participation and assistance of international organizations. The creators of the project "East-West: Partnership in forensic science" initiated an open forum to discuss and resolve current problems and challenges faced by expert institutions from different countries, to simplify mutual understanding and regional or international cooperation, promotion of innovative ideas and technologies.

The idea of foundation a forum was realized by carrying out an international scientific-practical conference "East-West Partnership in forensic science" in Nizhny Novgorod (Russia) in 2004, then the conference held in 2005 and 2007 in Almaty (Kazakhstan) and in Kaliningrad (Russia) in 2009.

Forum brings together distinguished scientists and practitioners in the field of forensic examination of the various countries to discuss and develop a mechanism for coordination and strategy, information exchange and fruitful cooperation. The results of its activities are aimed at fully meet the needs of law enforcement agencies in the area of examination, including at the international level and will contribute to the development of science and the introduction of innovations into practice, improving the national legislation of member countries.

The "East-West Partnership in forensic science" has a great success among the participants and support from many well-known forensic institutes. Its work is aimed at forming a strategy of global perspectives, the organization of the centre of international cooperation, the foundation of the Eurasian network of forensic institutes.

In plans of the project "East-West Partnership in forensic science" are detailed elaboration of the theoretical and legal base for the organization of the Eurasian network of forensic science institutes (EANFSI) and implementation of its activities at the level of existing forensic institutes of several countries united in a network of forensic institutes (American, European, etc.).

The main priorities are seen in the introduction of international standards in forensic activity in the expert institutes of the participating countries, the international exchange of databases, training and retraining of skilled personnel, development of science and technology expertise.

The conference will bring together prominent scholars and practitioners.

2. **The meeting of the Coordination and Methodological Commission of Forensic Science at the Council of Ministers of Justice of the Eurasian Economic Community** (hereinafter -EurAsEC). Coordination and Methodological Commission of Forensic Science at the Council of Ministers of Justice of the Eurasian Economic Community (hereinafter - Commission) is an advisory body of the Council of Ministers of Justice in forensic activities of the state forensic institutions in states of the EurAsEC. The Commission is responsible to the Council of Ministers of Justice of the
Eurasian Economic Community (hereinafter - Council) and is accountable to him. The Commission annually reports to the Council about its work. The main purpose of the Commission is to implement the Cooperation Agreement in the field of forensic activities of the EurAsEC, signed by Ministries of Justice of the states of the EurAsEC in Minsk on June 30, 2006. The main objectives of the Commission are the harmonization of the laws of the EurAsEC member states of the forensic work, the coordination of scientific and methodical work and improve the quality of forensic examination carried out in the forensic institutions of the Ministries of Justice of the EurAsEC states. The members are the heads and deputy heads of the state forensic institutions. According to the Protocol number 19 on May 21, 2012 meeting of the Council of Ministers of Justice of the EurAsEC, held in St. Petersburg, it was decided to hold the next meeting of the Coordination Commission in September 2012 in Almaty. This event will be attended by Director of the Forensic Science Centres of Russia, Belarus, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan and Kazakhstan.

3. The meeting of the Eurasian Academy of Forensic Medicine and examination (EAFMS). From 1 to 2 March, 2012 in Istanbul (Turkey) meeting of scholars and practitioners in the field of forensic science and medicine was held. The purpose of this meeting was to discuss and coming to a consensus in issues of professional cooperation and exchange, mainly related to European and Asian countries. The meeting created a new Academy and named it «Eurasian Academy of Forensic Medicine and examination» (EAFMS). It is expected that EAFMS become a major academy of international organizations in forensic science, and it`s efforts will be aimed at improving of the forensic science and medicine, activity of laboratories and research in many areas of forensic science. The presentation and the first meeting of EAFMS were held on 6 July, 2012 in Istanbul as part of an international conference IALM-2012. In Almaty, September 7, 2012 will be held a working meeting of EAFMS. During this meeting organizational matters and membership of new applicants will be discussed. The meeting will be attended by President, Vice-President, Academic Secretary of EAFMS, participants, and Commission.

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