Statement delivered by Jonibek Hikmatov, Counsellor of the Permanent Mission of Tajikistan to the UN during the action in the Second Committee on the Resolution "Midterm comprehensive review of the implementation of the International Decade for Action, "Water for Sustainable Development," 2018-2028."

Mr. Chairman,

- 1. First of all, allow me to express my appreciation to you Mr. Chair for your able stewardship in facilitating the work of the 2nd Committee and to members of Bureau and the Secretariat of the Committee for their valuable support in reaching consensus on the draft resolutions.
- **2.** Secondly, I would like to thank all delegations for their constructive engagement and flexibility demonstrated during the negotiations on A/C.2/73/L24. /Rev.1.
- 3. Taking this opportune moment, I would also like to thank the co-sponsors of the draft resolution for their continuous support provided to my delegation during facilitation of the draft resolution. We look forward to the continued cooperation of all delegation in fulfilling the mandate of the resolution, in particular, convening two important meetings: one day High-Level Meeting to promote the implementation of the water-related goals and targets of the 2030 Agenda, to support the Decade and 22-24 March 2023 the UN Conference on the midterm comprehensive review of the implementation of the objectives of the decade.
- 4. It is necessary to underline once again that the Decade "Water for Sustainable Development" creates a robust platform for coordinated and integrated actions aimed at furtherance of sustainable management of water resources, and achieving water-related goals and targets, including those contained in the 2030 Agenda. To this vein, we would like to invite Governments, intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations, financial institutions, private sector, and other relevant stakeholders, and donors to support the preparations for the United Nations conference on the midterm comprehensive review of the implementation

of the Decade and assist developing countries in participating fully and effectively in the review and implementation of the Decade.

I thank you for your attention!