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Dear ladies and gentlemen,

About mass-media in Kazakhstan. All the mass-media are in Kazakhstan under the control of authorities. The majority of citizens of Kazakhstan has no access to other sources of the information, except for those which gives proimperous mass-media. One bright example.

On July, 6th, 2006 authorities of Kazakhstan have informed in mass-media that in Warsaw there was a street Kazakh, and have given a photo absolutely other street – Aleja Niepodleglosci. All Kazakhstan has learned this news and has believed that such greater and beautiful street in the center of Warsaw refers to Kazakh. The whole week this information proimperous mass-media transferred all. When I have informed, that it not street Kazakh and Aleja Niepodleglosci me have accused of lie and even there were subtitles clause "Kill Balli".

It evidently shows that for citizens of Kazakhstan there is no alternative popular source of the information. In any normal democratic state there would be an edition which would check up this information and it was denied. In Kazakhstan it to make there is nobody.

If, for example authorities of Kazakhstan wished to distribute the information in Kazakhstan, that Polish peoples for a breakfast eat Kazakhs - all country would believe that in it, and this information to deny there would be nobody, except for not numerous oppositional mass-media which are not popular.

This example shows that the situation with a freedom of speech in Kazakhstan is far from democratic standards. Free mass-media - a basis of a democratic society. It means that such country as Kazakhstan still it is not ready to presidency of OSCE.

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