DECLARATION of the Ministers in charge of Healthcare and Pharmaceutics of the BSEC Member States on cooperation in the sphere of quality, effectiveness and safety assurance of medicines (Moscow, 28 June 2016)

We, the Ministers, in charge of Healthcare and Pharmaceutics of the BSEC Member States,

Acknowledging the importance of enhancing cooperation in the area of public health and pharmaceutics in the BSEC region;

Directed by the "BSEC Economic Agenda towards an Enhanced BSEC Partnership", in particular by Its Goal 7 "Health Care and Pharmaceutics", adopted by the Council of the Ministers of Foreign Affairs in Belgrade on 11 June 2012 and endorsed by the Heads of State and Government of the BSEC Member States in Istanbul, on 26 June 2012;

Taking into consideration the Decision of the Thirtieth Meeting of the Council of the Ministers of Foreign Affairs of the BSEC Member States in Varna, on 19 June 2014, related to regular exchange of information among the BSEC Member States;

Pursuing the common goal of precluding the threat to public health, which are substandard, falsified and counterfeit medicines;

Recognizing the importance of quality, effectiveness and safety assurance of medicines, that are in circulation in the territories of the BSEC Member States;

Noting, that the problem of circulation substandard, falsified and counterfeit medicines is global in character and, if steps to counter such a global threat as the circulation of falsified medicines are to be effective, it is necessary to do everything possible to develop and strengthen international cooperation taking into account the mutual interests of the BSEC Member States;

We declare our resolution to:

1. *Continue* to reform the healthcare systems in BSEC Member States to ensure public health security;

2. *Develop* cooperation in combating of circulation substandard, falsified and counterfeit medicines in the territories of the BSEC Member States;

3. *Exchange information* on the facts of detection of substandard, falsified and counterfeit medicines, circulating in the territories of the BSEC Member States;

4. Exchange experience of listing medicines for guaranteed medical care;

5. Exchange information on national healthcare legislation;

6. Exchange best practices in organizing laboratory control of medicines;

7. *Exchange* advanced experience, practices and methodologies during scientificpractical meetings, forums, conferences and seminars;

8. *Participate* in scientific meetings, symposiums, seminars and forums concerning the assurance of quality, safety and efficiency of medicines held in BSEC member states;

We express our gratitude to the Russian Federation for the organization of the Meeting and for the hospitality extended.