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## U.S. WELCOMES KAZAKHSTAN'S CONSTITUTIONAL REFERENDUM AS NEXT STEP IN POLITICAL MODERNIZATION

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«The United States strongly supports President Tokayev's political modernization and human rights reform agendas, and in this regard, we welcome June 5 referendum as the next step in this reform process,» underlined Uzra Zeya, the U.S. Under Secretary for Civilian Security, Democracy, and Human Rights in her message to Special Representative of the President of Kazakhstan for International Cooperation Erzhan Kazykhan, the press service of the Kazakh MFA informs.

«We stand ready to assist Kazakhstan as you embark on the difficult road of democratizing your government, building transparent and responsive institutions, and strengthening human rights protections, in coordination with an independent civil society,» the message further says.

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