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Praise for the work of Tajik linguists.

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I would like to pause on two issues.

First of all, I would like to note the major political and ideological importance of the work being done by our Tajik colleagues.

The thing is that the works being prepared in Dushanbe by our Tajik linguists are well known beyond the borders of our country. We could list the many examples which demonstrate that the blossoming of Oriental Studies in Tajikistan attracts the sympathy of the progressive foreign intelligentsia in Iran, Afghanistan, India, in Pakistan, as well as the Arab countries, in Bangladesh, to the social, cultural, economic and political conditions which made the blossoming of this research possible.

I would like to note that the works published by our Tajik colleagues invariably get positive reviews in specialist scholarly publications devoted to oriental studies published in neighboring countries as well as the West.

I would like to also say that the activity that our Tajik orientalists carry out, their fruitful contacts which they develop with adjacent countries of the East, make more difficult and constrain the anti-Soviet activity of our ideological and political opponents. I do not have the time right now to explore this question in more detail, but I just wanted to underline this important aspect of the work of the Tajik Institute of Oriental Studies.