

UZBEKISTAN'S PEACE-LOVING FOREIGN POLICY AND ITS RECOGNITION BY THE WORLD COMMUNITY

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Abstract

Since gaining independence in 1991, the Republic of Uzbekistan has pursued a peace-loving, open, and pragmatic foreign policy aimed at ensuring national security, regional stability, and constructive international cooperation. In recent years, particularly after 2016, Uzbekistan's foreign policy has undergone significant transformation characterized by openness, good-neighborliness, multilateral diplomacy, and active participation in global initiatives. This article analyzes the conceptual foundations of Uzbekistan's peace-oriented foreign policy, its practical implementation, and the growing recognition it has received from the international community. The research is based on official policy documents, speeches of national leaders, and scholarly works by Uzbek researchers. The findings indicate that Uzbekistan's foreign policy has become an important factor in strengthening peace, trust, and sustainable development at the regional and global levels.

Keywords

Uzbekistan, foreign policy, peace-loving diplomacy, international recognition, **regional** stability, global cooperation, Central Asia.

Introduction

Foreign policy plays a crucial role in defining a state's position in the international arena, ensuring national interests, and contributing to global peace and security. For Uzbekistan, a country located at the heart of Central Asia, the pursuit of a peace-loving foreign policy has been a strategic necessity since independence. From the very beginning, Uzbekistan declared its commitment to peaceful coexistence, non-interference, respect for sovereignty, and mutually beneficial cooperation with all states [1].

In the contemporary globalized world, where conflicts, geopolitical rivalries, and security challenges are intensifying, Uzbekistan's peace-oriented diplomatic approach has attracted increasing attention from the world community. The country's initiatives aimed at strengthening regional cooperation in Central Asia and promoting dialogue at international platforms have significantly enhanced its international image [2].

Relevance of Work

The relevance of this research is determined by the growing role of Uzbekistan in regional and international affairs. In recent years, Uzbekistan has become an active participant in global political, economic, and humanitarian processes. The country's peace-loving foreign policy contributes to stability in Central Asia, a region historically exposed to geopolitical tensions and security threats [3].

Furthermore, the recognition of Uzbekistan's diplomatic initiatives by international organizations such as the United Nations, the Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe (OSCE), and the Shanghai Cooperation Organization (SCO) highlights the practical importance of studying this topic. Analyzing Uzbekistan's foreign policy experience can serve as a valuable model for other developing countries striving to balance national interests with global peace [4].

Purpose



The main purpose of this article is to analyze the essence of Uzbekistan's peace-loving foreign policy and to examine how this policy has been recognized and supported by the international community. The study also aims to identify the key principles, directions, and outcomes of Uzbekistan's diplomatic activities in the context of regional and global cooperation.

Materials and Methods of Research

The research is based on a qualitative methodological approach. The materials include official documents of the Republic of Uzbekistan, such as the Constitution, foreign policy concepts, presidential speeches, and strategic development programs [5]. In addition, scholarly works by Uzbek political scientists and international relations experts were analyzed.

The methods used in the study include:

- comparative analysis,
- content analysis of policy documents,
- historical and logical analysis,
- systematic approach to foreign policy evaluation.

These methods made it possible to comprehensively assess the evolution and effectiveness of Uzbekistan's peace-oriented diplomacy.

Results and Discussion

Uzbekistan's peace-loving foreign policy is grounded in several fundamental principles: respect for international law, non-use of force, non-interference in internal affairs of other states, and prioritization of dialogue and cooperation [6]. These principles are enshrined in the Constitution of the Republic of Uzbekistan and consistently reflected in its foreign policy practice.

One of the most significant achievements of Uzbekistan's diplomacy is the normalization of relations with neighboring Central Asian states. Initiatives aimed at strengthening regional trust, resolving border issues through negotiations, and expanding economic and cultural cooperation have been highly appreciated by the international community [7].

Uzbekistan has also actively promoted global peace initiatives. At the United Nations General Assembly, Uzbekistan proposed resolutions on strengthening regional cooperation in Central Asia, promoting enlightenment and religious tolerance, and supporting youth rights. These initiatives were widely supported by UN member states, demonstrating international recognition of Uzbekistan's constructive role [8].

Moreover, Uzbekistan's active participation in international organizations such as the UN, SCO, CIS, and OIC has enhanced its diplomatic influence. The country's balanced and pragmatic approach has allowed it to maintain friendly relations with major global powers while preserving its national interests [9].

Conclusion

In conclusion, Uzbekistan's peace-loving foreign policy has become an important factor in ensuring regional stability and enhancing international cooperation. The country's commitment to dialogue, mutual respect, and peaceful coexistence has strengthened its reputation as a reliable and responsible member of the world community.

The recognition of Uzbekistan's diplomatic initiatives by international organizations and foreign states confirms the effectiveness of its foreign policy strategy. Further development of peace-oriented diplomacy will continue to contribute to sustainable development, security, and prosperity both at the national and global levels.



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