

Embassy of the United States of America

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Ms. Begaim Usenova Ms. Ainura Eshenalieva Media Policy Institute Bishkek, Kyrgyz Republic

Dear Ms. Usenova and Ms. Eshenalieva,

On behalf of the U.S. Embassy in the Kyrgyz Republic, I want to personally thank you for your support implementing our 2022 and 2023 Fulbright Media Literacy workshops in Bishkek and Osh. MPI's work supports free and independent media, which is crucial to a vibrant democracy. Your creative and hands-on educational programs have prepared local students, high school and university instructors, and Fulbright English Teaching Assistants throughout Central Asia to critically analyze the news they consume and teach others in their communities to do the same. I would also like to take this opportunity to express my gratitude for your consistent and principled support for freedom of the press in Kyrgyzstan, as one of the leading media advocacy organizations in the country.

Again, we are grateful for your excellent work on our programs, and we appreciate our history of close cooperation.

Sincerely,

Brian Beckmann

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