

## Kazakhstan Ratifies Agreement With U.S. to Transit Armor to Afghanistan

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ASTANA. July 8 (Interfax) – Kazakhstan President Nursultan Nazarbayev has signed the law on the ratification of the intergovernmental agreement with the United States on the commercial rail transit of special cargo across Kazakhstan in connection with U.S. efforts to stabilize and restore Afghanistan.

The law was published in the official press on Thursday.

"The term 'special cargo' implies wheeled armored vehicles without weapons," Deputy Foreign Minister Kairat Omarov said, presenting the relevant bill in parliament earlier.

The agreement regulates the issuance of permits for transit, the repayment of damage if done, as well customs checks and border control procedures.

"The American side will pay for transit services and for the work and goods, bought while transiting its cargoes across Kazakhstan," Omarov said.

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