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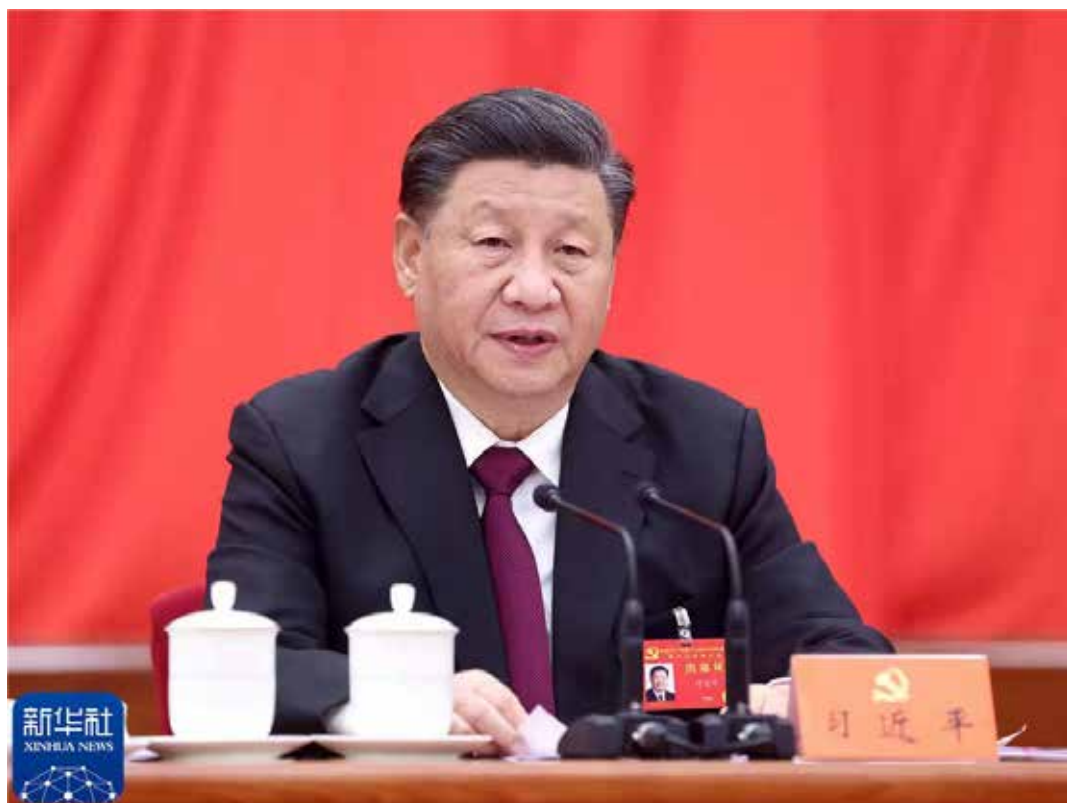
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[Editor's Note] The 19th Central Committee of the Communist Party of China convened its sixth plenary session in Beijing from November 8 to 11, 2021. At the session, the Central Committee considered and adopted the Resolution on the Major Achievements and Historical Experience of the Party. The resolution pooled the wisdom of the whole party, made comprehensive and systematic summary of the major achievements and historical experience of the Party, and laid emphasis on the illustration of the historic achievements and historic shifts in the cause of the Party and the country since the Party's 18th National Congress. Let's take a look!

A Quick Overview of the Sixth Plenary Session of the 19th CPC Central Committee





At the session, the historical significance of the Party's endeavors over the past century was highlighted as follows:

They have fundamentally transformed the future of the Chinese people, who have been freed from bullying, oppression, and subjugation, become the masters of the country, of society, and of their own fate, and are now seeing their aspirations for a better life become a reality.

They have opened up the right path for achieving rejuvenation of the Chinese nation, enabling China to complete a process of industrialization that took developed countries several centuries in the space of mere decades, and bringing about the two miracles of rapid economic growth and enduring social stability.

They have demonstrated the strong vitality of Marxism. In China, Marxism has been fully tested as a scientific truth, its people-centered and practical nature has been fully implemented, and its open-ended nature and contemporary relevance have been

fully demonstrated.

They have produced a profound influence on the course of world history. The Party has led the people in pioneering a uniquely Chinese path to modernization, creating a new model for human advancement, and expanding the channels for developing countries to achieve modernization.

They have made the Party a forerunner of the times. The Party has developed a long line of inspiring principles originating from its great founding spirit, preserved its advanced nature and integrity, and kept improving its governance and leadership capacity. The Party has proved to be a great, glorious, and correct party.

It was stated at the session that the Party has led the people in great endeavors and accumulated valuable historical experience over the past century. This covers the following ten aspects:

upholding the Party's leadership



putting the people first

advancing theoretical innovation

staying independent

following the Chinese path

maintaining a global vision

breaking new ground

standing up for ourselves

promoting the united front

remaining committed to self-reform

Comrade Xi Jinping, through meticulous assessment and deep reflection on a number of major theoretical and practical questions regarding the cause of the Party and the country in the new era, has set forth a series of original new ideas, thoughts, and strategies on national governance revolving around the major questions of our times: what kind of socialism with Chinese characteristics we should uphold and

develop in this new era, what kind of great modern socialist country we should build, and what kind of Marxist party exercising long-term governance we should develop, as well as how we should go about achieving these tasks. He is thus the principal founder of Xi Jinping Thought on Socialism with Chinese Characteristics for a New Era.

This is the Marxism of contemporary China and of the 21st century. It embodies the best of the Chinese culture and ethos in our times and represents a new breakthrough in adapting Marxism to the Chinese context.

The Party has established Comrade Xi Jinping's core position on the Party Central Committee and in the Party as a whole and defined the guiding role of Xi Jinping Thought on Socialism with Chinese Characteristics for a New Era.

This reflects the common will of the Party, the armed forces, and the Chinese people of all

ethnic groups, and is of decisive significance for advancing the cause of the Party and the country in the new era and for driving forward the historic process of national rejuvenation.

Every Party member should bear in mind what the Party is and what its mission is — these are issues of fundamental importance that we must never lose sight of. We must have a precise grasp of historical trends, stand firm in our ideals and convictions, and stay true to our Party's founding mission.

We must remain modest and prudent, guard against arrogance and rashness, and work hard. We must not be intimidated by any risks or led astray by any distractions, and we must be absolutely certain that we make no catastrophic mistakes on fundamental issues.

With the determination to never let up until we reach

our goals and the attitude that the last leg of the journey marks the halfway point only, we must make unremitting efforts to advance the rejuvenation of the Chinese nation.

The Central Committee calls upon the entire Party, the military, and all Chinese people to rally more closely around the Central Committee with Comrade Xi Jinping at its core, to fully implement Xi Jinping Thought on Socialism with Chinese Characteristics for a New Era, and to champion the great founding spirit of the Party.

We will always remember the glories and hardships of yesterday, rise to the mission of today, and live up to the great dream of tomorrow. We will learn from history, work hard, forge ahead for a better future, and make tireless efforts to realize the Second Centenary Goal and the Chinese Dream of national rejuvenation.



50 Bilingual Key Words of the Sixth Plenary Session of the 19th CPC Central Committee





13 中华民族几千年历史上最辉煌的史诗
The most magnificent chapter in the millennia-long history of the Chinese nation

14 马克思主义中国化的第一次历史性飞跃
The first historic step in adapting Marxism to the Chinese context

15 只有社会主义才能救中国，只有社会主义才能发展中国
Only socialism could save China, and that only socialism could develop China

16 解放和发展社会生产力
Unleash and develop the productive forces

17 改革开放
Reform and opening up

18 中国特色社会主义
Socialism with Chinese characteristics



19 第一个百年奋斗目标
The First Centenary Goal

20 第二个百年奋斗目标
The Second Centenary Goal

21 中华民族伟大复兴
National rejuvenation

22 党确立习近平同志党中央的核心、全党的核心地位，确立习近平新时代中国特色社会主义思想的指导地位
The Party has established Comrade Xi Jinping's core position on the Party Central Committee and in the Party as a whole and defined the guiding role of Xi Jinping Thought on Socialism with Chinese Characteristics for a New Era

十九届六中全会公报双语热词

23 党的百年奋斗从根本上改变了中国人民的前途命运
The Party's endeavors over the past century have fundamentally transformed the future of the Chinese people

24 党的百年奋斗开辟了实现中华民族伟大复兴的正确道路
The Party's endeavors over the past century have opened up the right path for achieving rejuvenation of the Chinese nation

25 党的百年奋斗展示了马克思主义的强大生命力
The Party's endeavors over the past century have demonstrated the strong vitality of Marxism

26 党的百年奋斗深刻影响了世界历史进程
The Party's endeavors over the past century have produced a profound influence on the course of world history

27 党的百年奋斗锻造了走在时代前列的中国共产党
The Party's endeavors over the past century have made the Party a forerunner of the times

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十九届六中全会公报双语热词

28 坚持党的领导
Upholding the Party's leadership

29 坚持人民至上
Putting the people first

30 坚持理论创新
Advancing theoretical innovation

31 坚持独立自主
Staying independent

32 坚持中国道路
Following the Chinese path

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十九届六中全会公报双语热词

33 坚持胸怀天下
Maintaining a global vision

34 坚持开拓创新
Breaking new ground

35 坚持敢于斗争
Standing up for ourselves

36 坚持统一战线
Promoting the united front

37 坚持自我革命
Remaining committed to self-reform



十九届六中全会公报双语热词

38 增强“四个意识”
Strengthen our consciousness of the need to maintain political integrity, think in big-picture terms, follow the leadership core, and keep in alignment with the central Party leadership

39 坚定“四个自信”
Stay confident in the path, theory, system, and culture of socialism with Chinese characteristics

40 做到“两个维护”
Uphold Comrade Xi Jinping's core position on the Party Central Committee and in the Party as a whole, and uphold the Central Committee's authority and its centralized, unified leadership

41 统筹推进“五位一体”总体布局，协调推进“四个全面”战略布局
Ensure coordinated implementation of the Five-Sphere Integrated Plan and the Four-Pronged Comprehensive Strategy

42 中国共产党第二十次全国代表大会
The 20th National Congress of the Communist Party of China



十九届六中全会公报双语热词

43 中华民族迎来了从站起来、富起来到强起来的伟大飞跃
The Chinese nation has achieved the tremendous transformation from standing up and growing prosperous to becoming strong

44 形成了以伟大建党精神为源头的精神谱系
The Party has developed a long line of inspiring principles originating from its great founding spirit

45 中国共产党无愧为伟大光荣正确的党
The Party has proved to be a great, glorious, and correct party

46 不忘初心，方得始终
To accomplish the Party's mission, we should never forget why we started

47 中国共产党立志于中华民族千秋伟业，百年恰是风华正茂
The Communist Party of China remains focused on achieving lasting greatness for the Chinese nation, and a hundred years on from its founding, the Party is still in its prime



十九届六中全会公报双语热词

48 全党必须永远保持同人民群众的血肉联系，践行以人民为中心的发展思想，不断实现好、维护好、发展好最广大人民根本利益，团结带领全国各族人民不断为美好生活而奋斗
The entire Party must forever maintain close ties with the people and act in line with the people-centered philosophy of development, so as to better realize, safeguard, and advance the fundamental interests of the overwhelming majority of the people, and unite and lead the Chinese people in working ceaselessly for a better life

49 勿忘昨天的苦难辉煌，无愧今天的使命担当，不负明天的伟大梦想
We will always remember the glories and hardships of yesterday, rise to the mission of today, and live up to the great dream of tomorrow

50 中共中央关于党的百年奋斗重大成就和历史经验的决议
The Resolution on the Major Achievements and Historical Experience of the Party over the Past Century

Message of Congratulations to the Sixth China-Africa People's Forum From H.E. Xi Jinping



I extend my warm congratulations on the opening of the Sixth China-Africa People's Forum (CAPF) and sincere greetings to African leaders and other Chinese and African participants from various sectors!

Our world is currently in an era of great development as well as an era of profound transformation. Given the new opportunities and challenges we face, what China and Africa need to do now, more than ever, is to uphold and promote the shared human values of peace, development, fairness, justice, democracy and freedom, as we pursue greater solidarity and cooperation towards common prosperity and development, and work together to build a community with a shared future for mankind. I hope that China and Africa will make concerted efforts to develop the CAPF into a shared bond strengthening the China-

Africa comprehensive strategic and cooperative partnership, a bridge bringing the hearts of Chinese and African people closer, and a shining example showcasing the China-Africa community with a shared future, so that we will jointly open up a new horizon for China-Africa people-to-people friendship and cooperation.

I wish the Sixth China-Africa People's Forum a complete success.

Xi Jinping
General Secretary
Communist Party of China and
President
People's Republic of China
Beijing, 15 November 2021

习近平致第六届中非民间论坛的贺信

值此第六届中非民间论坛召开之际，我谨表示热烈的祝贺！向出席会议的非洲国家领导人和中非各界人士表示诚挚的问候！

当今世界既是大发展的时代，也是大变革的时代。面对新的机遇和挑战，中非比以往任何时候都更加需要坚守和弘扬和平、发展、公平、正义、民主、自由的全人类共同价值，加强团结合作，共促繁荣发展，携手构建人类命运共同体。希望中非双方共同努力，把中非民间论坛办成加强中非全面战略合作伙伴关系的纽带、促进中非人民心灵相通的桥梁、践行中非命运共同体的典范，共同开创中非民间友好合作新局面。

预祝第六届中非民间论坛取得圆满成功。

中共中央总书记
中华人民共和国主席
习近平
2021年11月15日于北京

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Song Tao, Minister of the International Department of the CPC Central Committee, Reads President Xi's Congratulatory Letter



Video Remarks by H.E. Evariste NDAYISHIMIYE Chairman of the Council of Elders National Council for the Defense of Democracy – Forces for the Defense of Democracy and President of Burundi At the Sixth China-Africa People's Forum



We are very pleased to see that China-Africa cooperation continues to close the distance between each other. People's well-being of the two sides is closely related and destinies tightly linked. Guided by H.E. General Secretary Xi Jinping's concept of building a community with a shared future for mankind, China and African countries have continuously strengthened exchanges and cooperation in politics, economy and trade, culture, science and technology, and diplomacy, enhancing mutual understanding and consensus, and jointly addressing global challenges. The theme of this forum once again made it clear to us that China and Africa are a community of a shared future, which requires further cooperation and common development. Data of population, climate, economy, and culture, indicated that we must act together, especially in the context of

the pandemic, both sides should act in solidarity and collaboration.

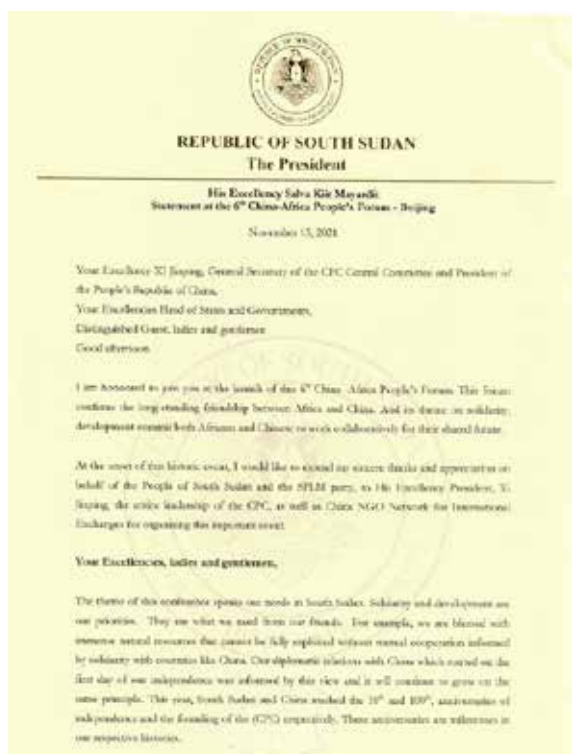
For Burundi, I myself have witnessed the high-quality development of Burundi-China relations. The two countries have in-depth exchanges of experience in economic and social development and other fields, achieving fruitful cooperation results. At present, Burundi has entered a critical stage of economic and social development and is fighting for food self-sufficiency, people's living standards, and a better national education and medical system. Burundi is willing to further deepen cooperation with China, to deliver the development goals as soon as possible.

Long live China-Burundi friendship!

Long live the international cooperation!

Thank you.

Remarks by Salva Kiir Mayardit, Chairman of Sudan People's Liberation Movement, President of Republic of South Sudan at the Opening Session of the Sixth China-Africa People's Forum



Remarks by Abou el-Fadhl Baadji, Secretary General of National Liberation Front, Algeria at the Opening Session of the Sixth China-Africa People's Forum

May Merciful Allah bless you all!

I am very delighted to express my sincere greetings and best wishes to leaders of the Communist Party of China and the friendly Chinese people. I would also like to express my heartfelt thanks for your effective communication, which benefits both our two parties and two peoples. People of our two countries enjoy firm friendship and are dedicated to inheriting and cementing Africa-China people-to-people friendship and promoting Africa-China people-to-people practical cooperation.

Africa-China People's Forum is an important platform that aspires to make concrete contributions to building a cooperative relationship with an aim to promote the common interests of all countries and their people. Algeria's National Liberation Front (FLN) is truly glad to be a part of it.

It is worth mentioning that the relations between Algeria and China have witnessed several important moments, which lay a solid foundation for our

unbreakable friendship. Our bilateral relations have set a fine example of mutual respect for national unity and sovereignty, non-interference in other's internal affairs, and of protecting international peace and security and promoting constructive cooperation.

On behalf of the FLN, I'd like to send the warmest congratulations to the 100th anniversary of the founding of the CPC once again. I believe, under the leadership of the CPC Central Committee with H.E. Xi Jinping at its core, the Communist Party of China will continue to follow its original aspiration and mission of seeking happiness for the Chinese people, rejuvenation for the Chinese nation, and progress for the humanity.

This is also the goal of the Belt and Road Initiative. The BRI is not only committed to promoting infrastructure construction in partner countries, but also dedicated to strengthening interactions, exchanges and people-to-people connectivity, so as to boost interactions and dialogue among various



civilizations.

The FLN hopes to have more meetings and consultations about problems that impact every corner of the world and call for people's immediate attention. We hope to have in-depth discussions to build a world where everyone leads a happy life, to promote broader cooperation for peace, security and development and to realise aspirations of people of all countries.

I would also like to express sincere gratitude for inviting me, on behalf of the FLN, to attend this Forum to promote Africa-China people-to-people practical cooperation. The relations between Africa and China are an excellent example of international cooperation. This relationship does not start from today, but is a historical one that keeps developing from the ancient Silk Road to the Bandung Conference, and to the Belt and Road Initiative today. These historic moments have witnessed the profound and strong ties between us in history, politics, economy and culture.

Africa and China share similar experience of struggles and common goals for future development. This has been fully demonstrated in China's consistent support to the liberation movement for national independence of African states as well as Africa's support to the restoration of the lawful seat of the People's Republic of China in the United Nations in 1971. As an African country, Algeria enjoys exemplary cooperative relations with China that are highly effective and benefit both countries and peoples.

Africa and China have been strengthening cooperation in political and economic fields. But more importantly, our cooperation has stepped into the civil society through the development of people-to-people diplomacy. People-to-people diplomacy can further cement the strong ties between Africa and China and enhance the connection between our two peoples.

There is no class or ideological barrier between Africa and China, which allows our relations to have a solid foundation. Political parties and the civil society are major players in Africa-China relations and play a significant role in the sustained and lasting development of people-to-people connectivity.

Apart from that, more scholarship and more mutual visits of researchers, doctors, artists, scholars and journalists would surely build up a force of soft power to safeguard mutual interests and promote common principles.

The promotion of Chinese culture and language in Africa serves as a bridge of communication between our two sides with long-term strategic significance. Meanwhile, China has always been open to African culture and languages such as Arabic, enabling Chinese people to better understand this continent that embraces and supports China.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank China for your important role during the COVID-19 pandemic through "medical diplomacy" and your substantial support to Africa including my country Algeria. All of these have greatly impressed African people. On top of that, the China-Africa Institute established in 2019 in Beijing also shows that our two sides are committed to promoting the progress of humanity.

Last but not least, in light of the rock-solid and special relations between Algeria and China, the remarkably increasing influence of China in Algeria in particular, and Algerian people's respect and appreciation of overseas Chinese in Algeria, the FLN stands ready to further scale up our people-to-people exchanges in such fields as education, public health and culture.

The FLN is also willing to further promote the culture of Algeria and that of Africa in China. We are convinced that the enhancement of people-to-people connectivity will definitely advance the strategic relations between Africa and China.

To conclude, I am very glad that the FLN can be a part of this significant event. I wish that China will secure more victories and achieve more results in seeking happiness for the Chinese people and wellbeing for people around the world. I also wish that China will remain committed to promoting common development of the world, strengthening Africa-China people-to-people friendship, and enhancing Africa-China people-to-people practical cooperation.

Thank you very much!

Congratulatory Letter to the Sixth China-Africa People's Forum By H.E. Macky Sall, Head of the Alliance for the Republic, President of the Republic of Senegal

On the occasion of the Sixth China-Africa People's Forum, I wish to extend my warm congratulations to my friend, General Secretary of the Communist Party of China, President of the People's Republic of China, Xi Jinping, to the friendly Chinese people and to all our brothers and sisters in Africa.

The theme of this forum, “Solidarity and Cooperation for Common Development to Jointly Build an Even Closer China-Africa Community with a Shared Future”, vividly demonstrated the friendship that has linked China and our continent for several decades. We shared the commitment to decolonization in the past; we hold the same aspiration to seek happiness for our people today, and together shape an open, inclusive, equitable, just and new international order.

I would like to take this opportunity to extend my sincere thanks for China's great support to Africa in the fight against the COVID-19 pandemic. Our solidarity was also well manifested in this context by convening the virtual summit on June 17, 2020.

Beyond intergovernmental collaboration, it is just as important that the Chinese and African people pursue interactions at all levels, especially among cities and associations, through twinning, exchanges, initiatives and programs in various fields such as



education, health, culture and trade, etc. These friendly exchanges enhance mutual understanding of our people, increase solidarity, and contribute to the building of a closer China-Africa community with a shared future.

I wish to send my hearty greetings to Chinese and African people as we are about to initiate the Eighth Ministerial Conference of the Forum on China-Africa Cooperation in Dakar.

Let me wish the Sixth China-Africa People's Forum a full success.

Congratulatory Letter by Emmerson Dambudzo Mnangagwa, Chairperson and the First Secretary of African National Union-Patriotic Front, President of the Republic of Zimbabwe, to the Sixth China-Africa People's Forum



President
State House
Harare
Zimbabwe

11th November, 2021.

Your Excellency,

On behalf of ZANU (PF), the people of Zimbabwe, and on my own behalf, I wish to convey sincere congratulations to the China NGO Network for International Exchanges, for convening the sixth China-Africa People's Forum, under the theme "Solidarity and Cooperation for Common Development to Jointly Build an Even Closer China-Africa Community with a Shared Future", in support of the 8th Ministerial Conference of the Forum on China-Africa Cooperation (FOCAC).

As my Government leads Zimbabwe into an upper middle income society by 2030, we are committed to the vision of a community that has a shared future for mankind, as has been commended by leaders of China and Africa.

Please accept the assurances of my highest esteem.



Keynote Speech By Ji Bingxuan, Vice Chairman of the National People's Congress Standing Committee and President of the Chinese Association for International Understanding at the Opening Session of the Sixth China-Africa People's Forum

Distinguished guests,

Ladies and gentlemen, friends,

It gives me great pleasure to attend the Sixth China-Africa People's Forum. Mr. Song Tao, Minister of the International Department of the CPC Central Committee, just read out the congratulatory letter sent by Xi Jinping, General Secretary of the CPC Central Committee and President of China, which demonstrates that the Communist Party of China and the Chinese government attach high importance to China-Africa comprehensive strategic cooperative partnership and people-to-people exchanges, charting the course for inheriting our traditional friendship, enhancing the wellbeing of the people and promoting

solidarity and cooperation. Several African leaders also sent written statements and video speeches to the forum, spoke highly of the China-Africa people-to-people cooperation and extended sincere expectations. I would like to thank you for your attention and support to the forum.

China and Africa both have splendid civilizations. In modern and contemporary times, Chinese people and African people fought courageously for national liberation, national independence and social development, and established precious friendship. After the founding of the Forum on China-Africa Cooperation, the relationship of China and Africa entered a new era of political mutual trust and all-



round cooperation. China and Africa have formulated and implemented ten major cooperation projects and eight major initiatives, setting a good example of friendly cooperation and common development among developing countries. After the outbreak of COVID-19, China and Africa joined hands to fight the COVID-19 and stand up to the impacts of the pandemic. Together we strengthened the BRI cooperation and opposed politicizing the pandemic and stigmatizing the coronavirus. Together we opposed racial discrimination and ideological bias, and stood firmly for equity and justice of the international community, showing the world many heroic and praiseworthy stories. The friendship between China and Africa is growing ever stronger and more enduring and keeps evolving along with the times.

Looking back through history, we are more keenly aware that no matter how the international landscape changes, China and Africa have always stuck to the fine tradition of sincere friendship and equality. In every critical period, we can always scale new heights, seek new convergence and foster new highlights, through which the relationship of China and Africa have took a new leap forward and developed a distinctive path of win-win cooperation.

General Secretary Xi Jinping pointed out in the congratulatory letter that our world is currently in an era of great development as well as an era of profound transformation. Given the new opportunities and challenges we face, what China and Africa need to do now, more than ever, is to uphold and promote the common values of humanity featuring peace, development, equity, justice, democracy and freedom, as we pursue greater solidarity and cooperation towards common prosperity and development, and work together to build a community with a shared future for mankind. We should follow through the requirements of General Secretary Xi, contribute our wisdom and strengths to China-Africa comprehensive strategic

cooperative partnership and fulfil our new common historical missions in the new era.

First, let us work together to build a closer China-Africa community with a shared future. It is repeatedly proven by history and reality that people of China and Africa have always breathed the same breath, shared weal and woe, and been of one mind. Under new circumstances, China and Africa should work together to build a community with a shared future featuring common responsibilities, win-win cooperation, shared happiness, thriving culture, universal security and harmonious coexistence, setting a stellar example for building a community with a shared future for mankind. Together we demonstrate to the rest of the world that countries with different social systems, different ideologies, different histories and culture, different development stages could reach a consensus of building a better world together in the handling of international affairs.

Second, let us seek common grounds while putting aside differences, enhance mutual learning, explore the path of development and pursue prosperity through development. Adhering to the principle of putting people's interest in the first place and making full use of our own advantages is the sure way of China-Africa cooperation. Under new circumstances, our two sides should keep searching for the independent development path that accords with our own realities, carry out full communication in aspects such as philosophy and system, enhance mutual support and sincere cooperation on the way toward prosperity through development, and realize sustainable, inclusive and equal development, thus better benefiting people of both sides with the outcomes of our cooperation.

Third, let us strive with one heart, extend assistance to each other and safeguard the rights and interests of developing countries. China is the world's largest developing country, and Africa is the continent with the largest number of developing

countries. With similar experience and shared missions, we should stick to the common identity of developing countries, join hands to shoulder the responsibility of safeguarding the interests and rights of developing countries, and enhance mutual understanding and support on issues concerning our respective core interests and matters of major concern. We should coordinate and cooperate closely on major international and regional issues, contribute strengths to safeguarding and championing the common values of humanity.

Fourth, let us seek equality, commit to justice and jointly promote the reform and advancement of the global governance system. It is the responsibility of the world to promote global governance system towards the direction of reflecting the will and interests of most countries, especially developing countries, in a more balanced way. Under new circumstances, China and Africa should continue to strengthen coordination and cooperation in international affairs, safeguard the international system with the United Nations at its core and the international order underpinned by international law. We should stay firm in opposing new forms of bloc confrontation, opposing all forms of power politics. We should practice true multilateralism, and contribute wisdom to building a fairer and more rational global governance system.

Ladies and gentlemen, friends,

This year marks the 100th anniversary of the founding of the Communist Party of China. General Secretary Xi Jinping delivered an important speech at the Ceremony Marking the Centenary of the Communist Party of China, which profoundly summarized the centenary journey of the CPC seeking happiness for the Chinese people and rejuvenation for the Chinese nation. From 8 to 11 November, the sixth plenary session of the 19th CPC Central Committee was convened in Beijing, in which the major achievements and historical

experience of the Party over the past century were comprehensively reviewed. In the past hundred years, the Party freed the people of all ethnic groups who had suffered from subjugation and bullying for over one hundred years and united and led them to stand up. Under the leadership of the CPC, the Chinese nation with more than 5000 years' history is embarking on the path of modernization, and socialism with more than 500 years' history has blazed a successful path in the world's most populous country. China has caught up with the times in great strides and opened up bright prospects for the great rejuvenation of the Chinese nation.

Putting the people first is a precious piece of historical experience accumulated when the Party led the people in carrying out the great struggle over the past hundred years. It is best demonstrated in people's democracy, which means people are the true masters of the country. People's democracy played a significant role in the hundred years' struggle of the Party. With a constantly deepening understanding of the law of democracy development, the Party puts forward the theory of whole-process people's democracy. The whole-process people's democracy in China includes not only a complete set of institutions and procedures, but also full participation and practices, and realized the unification of process democracy and result democracy, procedural democracy and substantive democracy, direct democracy and indirect democracy, people's democracy and the will of states. It is an all-round democracy with full coverage and the most complete circle, and also the widest, truest and most effective socialist democracy.

General Secretary Xi Jinping stressed that democracy is the common value of humanity, and a key tenet unswervingly upheld by the CPC and the Chinese people. In judging whether a country's political system is democratic or effective, one needs to see whether the succession of the state's leadership is in order and legal, whether all people can be involved

in the administration of national and social affairs, economic and culture undertakings, whether people could address their interests and needs unimpededly, whether all social sectors could get involved in the national political life effectively, whether the realization of national decision is scientific and democratic, whether talents of all fields could have access to the national leadership and administrative system through fair competition, whether the ruling party could exercise its leadership over national affairs in accordance with the constitution, laws and regulations, and whether exercising power could be effectively restrained and supervised. Democracy is a right of people of all countries, not the preserve of a few. Whether a country is democratic or not should be judged by its people; whether or not a country is democratic should be judged by the international community.

The CPC not only practices intra-party democracy and develops whole-process people's democracy in China, but also promotes democracy in international relations and upholds the principle that international and regional affairs be handled through discussion among us all. Democracy in international relations is the trend of times, and the litmus test for it is whether one can practice true multilateralism. It is necessary to generate a more inclusive global governance, more effective multilateralism mechanism, more active regional cooperation, so as to cope with the challenges and global issues that human beings are facing. Governments of all countries and parties should join hands to practice true multilateralism, and support from non-governmental organizations is also in great need.

Since its founding, China-Africa People's Forum has always adhered to the principle of enhancing people-to-people friendship, carrying forward pragmatic

cooperation, promoting world peace, and played a positive role in people-to-people exchange and cooperation between China and Africa. The founding and development of the forum is also a vivid demonstration of the promotion of the democracy in international relations and the practice of true multilateralism. Here at the forum, people think of, discuss upon and determine how to advance China-Africa friendship and cooperation. With that as the founding mission of the forum, the forum has been making continuous progress and constantly taking China-Africa people-to-people cooperation and friendship to higher levels.

Ladies and gentlemen, friends,

As General Secretary Xi Jinping pointed out, Chinese people and African people have a natural affinity, and the roots and lifeblood of China-Africa relationship lies in the people. There is an ancient Chinese axiom, which says, "When brothers work together, there is nothing they cannot achieve". Let us make full use of the China-Africa People's Forum, stick to and champion the common values of humanity, and lay a solid spiritual foundation for building China-Africa community with a shared future. Let us promote experience sharing and exchange of ideas to pool people's wisdom, so as to promote common development. Let us deepen independent exploration and result-oriented cooperation to contribute non-governmental forces to uphold the rights and interests of developing countries. Let us inherit the fine tradition of coordination and cooperation to provide non-governmental solutions for the reform and improvement of global governance. I wish the China-Africa People's Forum a continued success in the years to come.

Thank you!

Speech by H.E. Mbelwa Kairuki, Tanzania Ambassador to the Prc at the 6th China-Africa People's Forum, Beijing, 15 November 2021

Your Excellencies,
Distinguishes Guests,
Ladies and Gentlemen,
Good afternoon!

Allow me to begin by expressing my heartfelt appreciation and gratitude to the China NGO Network for International Exchanges (CNIE) and the International Department of the CPC for organizing the Sixth China – Africa People's Forum.

The theme of this forum, "Solidarity and Cooperation for Common Development to Jointly Build an Even Closer China-Africa Community with a Shared

Future," is very fitting to today's circumstances where the world is facing the covid19 pandemic and its economic impact.

This pandemic has been a reminder that we are all just one part of a complex system, and when the balance tips, it can have devastating consequences.

But it has also shown that we can only confront shared threats with shared solutions and ultimately build an Even closer Community with a shared future.

At this trying time, it is all the more critical that we stand hand in hand, work together to face the adverse



effects of the pandemic, and forge ahead with determination.

Excellencies; Ladies and Gentlemen; Distinguished Guests;

I am glad that The China-Africa People's Forum is being held now. What comes out of the FORUM will feed into the work of the 8th Ministerial Forum on China – Africa Cooperation (FOCAC) which is to take place later this month in Senegal.

The outcome of the Ministerial Forum will be relevant and well-received in Africa and China if it addresses people-centered issues.

I am saying this because the 'Community of a Shared Future' we want to achieve should and must be anchored on our people and be sustained by them.

We can achieve that by addressing their wishes, aspirations, and challenges. And for sure, there is no other place to get such ideas than from this forum of the people, by the people, for the people.

Therefore, the calling of this meeting under the chosen theme is a step in the right direction.

Excellencies; Ladies and Gentlemen; Distinguished Guests,

Allow me to use this platform to pay tribute to the African and Chinese people for nurturing China-Africa cooperation in the last 60 years.

More often, we forget to acknowledge the roles played by the Chinese men and women to solidify our two side's relations.

We can never forget the contribution of 25,000 selfless Chinese doctors who left their hometown to Africa to provide medical services to their African brothers from 1962 until now. Some of them stayed in Africa for up to 9 years.

I remember one Chinese Doctor who went to Tanzania from Shandong Province- his name is Dr. Song Tao. I have singled out him because he went beyond a call of his duty –all the years he was in Tanzania, he was donating blood for his Tanzanian brothers and sisters.

Many other examples could show how the people have played a role in building a real community with a shared future.

We will never forget in September 2014 when doctors from China's People's Liberation Army went to Sierra Leone to join hands with their Sierra Leoneans brothers and sisters to combat EBOLA.

We will never forget in May 2020 when the first medical team from Chongqing flew to Algeria and Sudan to provide technical support for COVID19 treatment.

On the other side, we can not forget how African students in WUHAN China during the COVID19 outbreak remained in WUHAN and faced the COVID19 pandemic with their Chinese brothers and sisters. In contrast, others run away in fear of their lives.

We can not overlook the contributions made by the African people in terms of materials and money to support their Chinese brothers and sisters during the onset of the COVID19 pandemic.

Ladies and Gentlemen: unsung heroes and heroines- THE PEOPLE- have made a significant contribution to strengthening our cooperation.

They join their compatriots who contributed their sweat, blood, and lives to build the TAZARA railway, a monument to the friendship between China and Africa. They also joined their Chinese compatriots who worked with their African brothers 50 years ago

to restore the People's Republic of China's lawful seat at the United Nations.

Excellencies;

Ladies and Gentlemen;

Distinguished Guests;

Our current generation has the sacred duty to continue that spirit. Only with such enthusiasm, we shall be able to overcome the challenges of our times.

That is why during his visit to Dar-es-Salaam, Tanzania in March 2013, His Excellency President Xi Jinping stressed that and I quote "We should carry forward the TAZARA spirit, cherish and protect the traditional friendship between China and Africa, and build on past achievements while keeping up with changing circumstances to make sure that China-Africa Friendship and cooperation produce more fruitful results.

He also stressed that China and Africa have always been a community of shared destinies. He proposed China-Africa cooperation principles of sincerity, real results, affinity, and good faith.

These principles, ladies, and gentlemen have been guiding China-Africa relations. To achieve a people-centered outcome in the next FOCAC Ministerial meeting in Senegal, we must be guided by those principles.

To us, the people-centered outcome that we wish to see includes four areas of cooperation:

The first one is- China-Africa cooperation on rural transformation and poverty eradication- here, we would like to tap into Chinese people's experience in poverty reduction.

Simple calculations suggest that we need to achieve poverty reduction twice as fast as China did if Africa

is to meet the U.N. Sustainable Development Goals by 2030.

This gives us all reasons to scale up our partnership with China to meet China's vision for achieving socialist modernization by 2035, alongside China's dual circulation strategy, while also meeting Africa's development goals.

The second area is on- China-Africa Cooperation on agricultural transformation. Here the main objective is to increase productivity. We would like to see Chinese and African experts exchange experiences to enable Africans to attain a green revolution.

The lessons from accomplished Chinese scientists such as the Late Professor Yuan Longping, who made a significant contribution to humankind by lifting millions of people from hunger through his scientific work, could be helpful in our cooperation.

We would also like to see more Chinese scholars such as Professor LI Kaimian, Cassava Expert at the CHINA ACADEMY OF TROPICAL AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES and Prof Nian Hai Soybean, an expert at South China Agricultural University, work with their African counterpart.

The third area is on China-Africa Health Cooperation- here, we would like to strengthen existing relations between Chinese and African Institutions. Tanzania enjoys relations with the Chinese Academy of Medical Science Cancer Hospital, Peking University International Hospital, Shandong Province Hospital, and FUWAI Hospital.

Through our cooperation, top experts from these hospitals have cooperated with their Tanzanian colleagues to serve the people.

We need to enhance cooperation between China and other African countries led by the people themselves,

the doctors, the nurses, and the researchers.

And the LAST area is on- China-Africa SME Cooperation that will enable Chinese SMEs to supply African SMEs with machinery and technologies for processing and value addition of our natural resources.

We would like to plead with our Chinese partners to establish a special fund to support Africa's Small and medium enterprises.

Ladies and Gentlemen: If we can achieve positive results in those four areas- we will achieve our themed desire to build Solidarity and Cooperation for Common Development to Jointly Build an Even Closer China-Africa Community with a Shared Future.

Excellencies; Ladies and Gentlemen; Distinguished Guests;

It will be remiss of me If I conclude my remarks without mentioning our admiration to His Excellency President Xi Jinping.

We warmly congratulate him and through him the people of China on the 100th Anniversary of the founding of the Communist Party of China (CPC).

We commend the remarkable achievements in national development made by the Chinese people of all ethnic groups under the leadership of the CPC and applauds China's great victory in completing the building of a moderately prosperous society in all respects and eradicating extreme poverty in rural areas by 2020, ten years before the UN SDG goal.

Under his able leadership, we are witnessing more vibrant relations for the benefit of China and Africa. And in him, we have placed our trust and confidence that our relations will continue to grow from strength to strength.

We wish him nothing more than success and best wishes for his continued good health.

With these many words, I wish you a successful FORUM, and I look forward to a successful, visionary FOCAC Summit ahead of us. Thank you all for your attention.

Speech by Huang Xiaowei, Secretary of the Leading Party Members' Group of All-China Women's Federation, Vice-President and First Member of the Secretariat of All-China Women's Federation at the Opening Ceremony of the Sixth China-Africa People's Forum

Good afternoon.

It gives me great pleasure to attend the Sixth China-Africa People's Forum (CAPF), and gather with friends from China and Africa to renew our friendship and pursue development. On behalf of All-China Women's Federation, let me extend the warmest congratulations to the holding of the Forum and sincere greetings and best wishes to all of you!

China is the world's largest developing country, and Africa is the continent with the largest number of developing countries. China and Africa have aimed for the same goal and stood behind each other's back through decades, and grown to be a close community with a shared future. Faced with the intertwined pandemic and profound changes both unseen in a century, as Chinese president Xi Jinping pointed out in the Extraordinary China-Africa Summit on Solidarity against COVID-19, we should stay committed to combating the pandemic together, to promoting China-Africa cooperation, to practicing multilateralism, and to promoting the friendship between China and Africa, charting a course for the continuous development of peoples' friendship of our two sides in the new era.



In the history of exchanges between Chinese and African people, women have always played an active and unique role in promoting China-Africa relations. As an important window of foreign exchanges for Chinese women, All-China Women's Federation (ACWF) started friendly exchanges with African countries right after the founding of the People's Republic of China in the 1950s. Now, ACWF has established communication and exchanges with over 100 women's organizations from 53 countries in Africa. We initiated cooperation with female political leaders and first-ladies of African countries and strengthened communication with women's organizations. We coordinated and supported each other's position in multilateral occasions, and jointly expressed our concerns as developing countries.

We have done our best to provide over one hundred batches of small-scale material assistances to institutions and organizations in over 40 countries. By offering academic trainings and degree courses to more than 500 women from over 30 countries, we helped them to improve their living and development environment and advance their capacity building. With the COVID-19 pandemic ravaging around the world, our two sides have stayed committed to mutual support and jointly overcome difficulties. Women of China and Africa have remained sincere and friendly to each other and treated each other equally, writing a splendid chapter of the friendship between Chinese and African people.

Ladies and gentlemen, friends,

This year marks the 100th anniversary of the founding of the Communist Party of China. Over the past centenary, our Party has made unremitting efforts to realize the emancipation and development of women and promote gender equality. Since the 18th CPC National Congress, the CPC Central Committee with Comrade Xi Jinping at its core, coordinated implementation of the promotion of gender equality and development of women into the overall work plan of the Party and the country. The promotion of gender equality and development of women has once again been written into the national economic

development plan. Not long ago, China promulgated the Outline for Women's Development in China (2021-2030). Among the 98.99 million people that have been lifted out of poverty, women account for nearly 50%. The gender gap in compulsory education has been mostly eliminated, given the fact that over 50% of the students in higher education are female. Female employees surpass 40% across the society. And the number of female workers in the field of science and technology is about 40 million, above 40% of the total. Under the leadership of the Party, Chinese women have made great achievements through hard work, forging ahead towards the second centenary goal of building China into a great modern socialist country in all respects.

Though we are thousands of miles apart, Chinese and African women share the same dream of seeking equality and development. Standing on the new historical starting point, we wish to further strengthen communication and deepen cooperation with African sisters and friends. Let us hold hands to make new contribution to the promotion of gender equality and women's empowerment, to carrying forward the friendly ties between Chinese and African people from generation to generation, and to building a closer community with a shared future.

Let me wish the forum a full success. Thank you.

Remarks by Essam Sharaf, Former Prime Minister of Egypt



Excellences

Distinguished participants

Ladies and Gentlemen

A great pleasure to be with you today.

Allow me at the outset, to express my deepest thanks to China Network for International Exchanges (CNIE), for their kind invitation .

Ladies and Gentlemen,

I am sure you agree with me that our humanity is facing the most difficult international circumstances. These looming dangers are posing more threats, in particular, to developing countries.

Ladies and Gentlemen,

The title of my intervention is: China – Africa: Shared History, shared Cooperation, and shared future.

Let me start with the Shared History,

- China and Africa are the lands of deep civilizations
- China and Africa cooperated under the Old Silk Road
- Decades ago, China and Africa contained most poor people of the world.

Moving to the Shared Cooperation,

- China, since decades, is committed to play a vital

role in assisting the developing countries, particularly Africa

For example, since establishing (FOCAC), the yearly trade volume increased by 20 times, and Chinese indirect investment in Africa increased by 100 times.

- During FOCAC 2018 President Xi proposed a comprehensive cooperation plan consisting of 8 initiatives covering all aspects.
- For Solidarity Against COVID-19, China ensured its commitment to take seriously the debt concerns of African countries and act on the G20 debt service suspension initiative.
- China signed more than 40 Belt and Road Initiative (BRI) cooperation documents with African countries in spite of COVID-19.
- About 4000 Chinese companies operate in Africa in different types of projects, which have brought significant progress to Africa's economic and social development.

Ladies and Gentlemen

With this deep history and faithful current cooperation and commitment, I strongly believe that China and Africa are the closest to the community with a shared future.

Ladies and Gentlemen,

I want to conclude my intervention by sending two messages:

First, a thank you message to the vice chairman of the national people's congress for his outstanding Congratulatory letter.

Second message to my African friends

I was asked "How do you describe the miraculous Chinese achievements?". My answer was the everlasting Chinese Dream.

Dear friends, let's get together and faithfully put forward our eternal African Dream.

Thank you very much and

I wish this important meeting all the success

Speech by Wang Ping, Vice-President and Secretary General of Red Cross Society of China, Vice-President of China NGO Network for International Exchanges at the Opening Session of the Sixth China-Africa People's Forum



Good Afternoon!

It is such a pleasure to attend the opening session of the Sixth China-Africa People's Forum. On behalf of China NGO Network for International Exchanges and Red Cross Society of China, I wish to extend my sincere thanks to the International Department of the CPC Central Committee for your strong support, and extend best wishes to all our guests from home and abroad.

Mr. Song Tao, Minister of the International Department of CPC, just read out the congratulatory letter of General Secretary Xi Jinping, which

fully demonstrates that the Party and the Chinese government pay high attention to China-Africa people-to-people exchanges and communication, charting the course of the further development of China-Africa friendship. We will resolutely implement the instructions of General Secretary Xi Jinping, contributing non-governmental wisdom and strengths to the building of China-Africa comprehensive strategic and cooperative partnership. At the same time, we will abide by the suggestions put forward by Vice Chairman Ji Bingxuan, and endeavor to fulfil our shared historical missions of

China-Africa civil organizations in the new era.

Nowadays, under the combined impacts of major changes and a pandemic both unseen in a century, China and African countries are facing arduous tasks of fighting the pandemic, stabilizing the economy and ensuring people's livelihood, which makes it more urgent than ever for both sides to strengthen cooperation. Against such a backdrop, convening the Sixth China-Africa People's Forum will surely bring China-Africa people-to-people exchanges and communication to a new level and scale a new height.

China NGO Network for International Exchanges (CNIE) is China's largest umbrella organization in the field of international exchanges and an important non-governmental force to facilitate China-Africa cooperation. The series of livelihood projects launched by CNIE, such as Silk Road Community Building Initiative, Smiling Children Program and Brightness Action Initiative, have been highly valued by all the participants. As a member organization of CNIE, Red Cross Society of China cooperates actively with Red Cross of African countries in areas such as disaster rescue, humanitarian aid, community development, capacity building, etc. We provided

emergency anti-pandemic supplies and COVID-19 vaccines to some African countries. The Red Cross Society of China will work jointly with all member organizations of CNIE, coordinating in solidarity, making continuous efforts and demonstrating China-Africa community of a shared future with concrete actions. We will always be good friends, good partners and good brothers of African people, and will always respect, love and support Africa.

Distinguished guests, friends,

As an old Chinese saying goes, state-to-state relations thrive when there is friendship between people, which derives from close contact between the people. Let us join hands to strengthen our friendship through exchanges, advance development through cooperation, reach consensus through mutual understanding. Let us make concerted efforts to draw new blueprint for and inject new impetus into China-Africa people-to-people exchanges and cooperation. Let us continue to strengthen our traditional friendship and deliver greater benefits to our people, thus building a closer China-Africa community with a shared future and writing a new chapter of a brighter future for our two sides.

I wish the forum a full success! Thank you!

Remarks by Gunsham Seeborun, President & Founder of F.A.L.C.O.N (Farmers in Agriculture, Livestock, Cooperative, Organic Network) Association of Mauritius



SPEECH



Distinguished members. Good afternoon to you all.

I present myself: Mr Gunsham Seeborun, President & Founder of F.A.L.C.O.N (Farmers in Agriculture, Livestock, Cooperative, Organic Network) Association.

I would first of all seize this opportunity to appraise the success of the 6th Planetary Session of 19th Central Committee of the Communist Party of China, which was held in Beijing from 8th to 9th November 2021.

It is in fact a great honour to participate in the China-Africa People's Forum. We have noticed that that Leaders of China and several African countries have sent congratulatory letters to the forum.

During the past 8 years, F.A.L.C.O.N Association has strengthened its relations and friendship with several NGOs and organisations in Beijing such as Beijing Agriculture Science and Technology, Beijing Vocational School of Agriculture, Beijing Agronomist Society & Global Traditional Chinese Medicine & Health Knowledge Alliance.

From both parties, we have had physical exchanges on education, innovation & technology, promotion of culture.

True to its philosophy of socialism, the Chinese Communists partners have extended their support to us, as true friends during the Covid-19 Pandemic. Words are not enough to appraise their support towards our association in terms of important donations of medical masks & love-kits which are eventually distributed by our association to the vulnerable people in Mauritius.

The cordial relations of our association with Beijing are reflected through our MoUs with them. F.A.L.C.O.N Association has an MoU with Global Traditional Chinese Medicine and Health Industry Knowledge Alliance alliance to promote the cultivation of Traditional Chinese Medicine in Mauritius, which is now a valuable resource in times of Covid-19 as TCM seems to gain popularity as natural immune boosters, thus replacing costly pharmaceutical drugs.

Through this MoU, we envisage to train Nurses and aspiring TCM medics and to set up TCM clinics. It would be a win-win situation for both parties as the TCM would be promoted in the tourism sector in Mauritius, thus gaining massive international exposure. Its demand would be further increased with its positive contribution to society and economic health of our island.

Following another MoU with Beijing Agriculture Science and Technology, Beijing Vocational School of Agriculture, Beijing Agronomist Society, our association physically visited Beijing mushroom units and acquired important knowledge on the innovation and technology mobilised by the Beijing Mushroom growers. From there onwards, the exchanges in Beijing led to the implementation of edible mushroom training by the Beijing Vocational School of Agriculture, benefiting F.A.L.C.O.N Association,

the aspiring local mushroom growers as well as the Beijing partner who is acquiring popularity amongst the local government and population.

Our association does not restrict itself only in social and agricultural activities. In the future, we expect greater sharing of knowledge on Innovation & Technology and Trade and collaborations with even more NGOs, Municipality & District Council of Beijing, thus deepening the trustful relationships between China & Mauritian People.

In light with today's event, I strongly believe that the initiative of the China NGO Network for International Exchanges in connecting the Chinese People to African people and promoting friendship and exchange programs, would be a model for other nations to follow. It is of no doubt that this principle of solidarity in times of crisis, such as the Covid-19 pandemic, that a greener, more inclusive and more resilient tomorrow would be built.

I am sure that the friendly exchange between China and Africa would constitute of a strong foundation that nurtures mutual learning & understanding, solidarity, practical cooperation, recognition & champion the essence of people-to-people interactions.

To continue nurturing this booming people-to-people culture, F.A.L.C.O.N Association would welcome the direction of the Chinese NGO to create and implement a platform of sound interactions and capacity building programs here in our island, thus aiming on building a resilient community bonding with China and Africa.

Having said that, I am sure that the 6th China-Africa People's Forum would drive productive exchanges that would allow the stakeholders to strengthen their alliances and foster societal welfare.

On this note, I wish you all a successful forum. Thank you for your attention.

Chen Zhou, Vice-Minister of the International Department of the CPC Central Committee, Chairs the Opening Session of the Sixth China-Africa People's Forum



Four Proposals Put Forward at the Sixth China-Africa People's Forum

On behalf of the participants of the Sixth China-Africa People's Forum, Chen Zhou, Vice Minister of the International Department of the CPC Central Committee (IDCPC), put forward the following four proposals:

- To carry forward the common values of humanity and lay a solid philosophical foundation for China-Africa community with a shared future. We will uphold and promote the common values of humanity featuring peace, development, equity,

justice, democracy and freedom as the main theme of China-Africa people-to-people exchanges and cooperation in the next stage. By carrying out abundant civilization exchanges and mutual learning, we will create the "soft power" that safeguards the common interests of both sides and promotes the common pursuit of the world, providing lasting drive for civilization revival, cultural progress and further nourishing China-Africa cooperation.

- To promote experience sharing and idea exchanges

and collect non-governmental wisdom for China and Africa's common development. We will strengthen communication in governance pattern, development philosophy and humanistic tradition and pursue upgraded and improved bilateral cooperation, which will serve as a key form of China-Africa people-to-people exchanges and cooperation in the next phase. We will, through non-governmental channels, actively participate in the Global Development Initiative proposed by H.E. President Xi Jinping, and the Initiative on Partnership for Africa's Development jointly sponsored by China and Africa, so as to make new contributions to stepping up the implementation of the UN 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.

- To deepen independent exploration and practical cooperation and contribute non-governmental efforts to safeguard the common interests of developing countries. We will explore development paths suited to our national realities and protect the common interests of developing countries, which will be an important part of the people-to-people exchanges and cooperation between the two sides in the next stage. We will carry out anti-pandemic cooperation

in various forms and boost economic recovery. We will advocate the importance of social, economic and cultural rights including the right to development, and put forward human right concepts and plans that are in line with long-term interests of developing countries.

- To inherit the fine tradition of coordination and cooperation and put forward non-governmental plans for the reform and improvement of global governance. We will promote the global governance concept featuring intensive consultation, joint contribution and shared benefits and the democratization of global governance rules, which will serve as an important goal of China-Africa people-to-people exchanges and cooperation in the next stage. We will make plans and take practical actions on the non-governmental level to tackle global common problems, such as deficits of governance, trust, peace and development. We will coordinate our efforts in taking positions and actions and making concerted voices in multilateral occasions including the United Nations to move the international order and system toward a fairer and more rational direction.



African Delegates Vow to Forge Stronger Ties with China

Delegates from African countries at the Sixth China-Africa People's Forum on November 15 reiterated their long-standing friendship and commitment to forge even stronger ties with China to build a community with a shared future. The forum was held in advance of the Eighth Ministerial Conference of the Forum on China-Africa Cooperation that will take place between November 29 and 30 in Dakar.

Xi Jinping, general secretary of the Communist Party of China Central Committee and Chinese president, sent a congratulatory letter to the forum. The letter was read out by Song Tao, Minister of the International Department of the Communist Party of China Central Committee, at the opening of the forum.

Noting that the world is in an era of great

development and great change, Xi said China and Africa, facing new opportunities and challenges, need to further uphold and carry forward peace, development, equity, justice, democracy and freedom, which are the common values of humanity.

Ji Bingxuan, Vice Chairman of the National People's Congress (NPC) Standing Committee, described the friendship between China and Africa as "rock-solid."

Ji added that both parties have been working hard to maintain a strong development momentum and promote the Belt and Road Initiative, despite the COVID-19 pandemic, and treating each other with respect on an equal footing.

He also mentioned that "the close ties have shown the world how different political systems and how countries in different development stages can jointly



pursue common goals, seek common ground, share differences, and draw strengths from each other."

Delegates attending the event also shared their views on the need for China and Africa, the largest developing country in the world and the continent with more concentration of developing countries, to shoulder responsibilities to safeguard the mutual core interests and major concerns on the global stage.

They called for both sides to pursue fairness and justice under a global governance system that reflects the will and interests of the majority of countries in a more balanced manner while vowing to resolutely oppose power politics and uphold true multilateralism.

"China has become a major international power in the world and it should not be absent from global governance but play a more important role," H.E. Martin Mbazumutima, Ambassador of Burundi to

China, said at the forum, adding that, "we are very pleased to see that China is laying the groundwork for a new international order by proposing new development concepts in various key issues such as climate change, COVID-19 response, as well as environmental protection."

"We have much to learn from China's experience and achievements. I believe that China's success is not only a miracle of economic development but also a miracle of social stability. In this era of globalization, every country should learn from the successful experiences of other countries," H.E. Mohamed Elbadri, Ambassador of Egypt to China, said during the event.



China NGO Network for International Exchanges(CNIE)was established in October 2005 as a national non-profit NGO network. CNIE has 310 member organizations. As an NGO network dedicated to international exchanges and cooperation, CNIE engages with NGOs and personages both home and abroad, with a view to promoting exchanges and cooperation between Chinese NGOs and their counterparts in the rest of the world and enhancing people-to-people friendship. To facilitate people-to- people cooperation between China and African countries, CNIE launched China-Africa People's Forum in 2011 which, to date, has alternated six times in China and African countries and played an important role in strengthening friendship between China and African Countries and promoting the building a community with a shared future for China and Africa.



PARALLEL EVENTS

The China-Africa International Communication Forum – Parallel Event of the 6th China-Africa People's Forum Held in Beijing

On November 16, 2021, the China-Africa International Communication Forum – Parallel Event of the 6th China-Africa People's Forum was held in Beijing, guided by China NGO Network for International Exchanges (CNIE) and hosted by China International Public Relations Association (CIPRA). The theme of this event was to discuss upon China-Africa practices in public diplomacy and international communication, and to promote China-Africa people-to-people exchanges.

Speeches were delivered by: Wu Hongbo (Chairman of CIPRA), Xu Lyping (former Vice Minister of the International Department of the CPC Central Committee & Vice President of CNIE), Guo Xiaoyong (Vice President of CIPRA & former Executive Deputy Director of China Foreign Languages Publishing Administration), Wang Dongmei (former Secretary of the Secretariat of the All-China Journalists Association), Wu Wenxue

(former Deputy Director of China National Tourism Administration), Siddharth Chatterjee (United Nations Coordinator in China), Yomi Badejo-Okusanya (President of African Public Relations Association, i.e. APRA), Maxim Behar (Ambassador for Communication of APRA), Lv Dapeng (Spokesperson of SINOPEC & Head of the Party Group's Publicity Department), Yang Lin (Executive Chairwoman and Global Founding Partner of Yingke Global Board of Directors), and Mark Wang (Managing Director of Edelman China's Corporate Communication and Reputation Management), among others. The forum was chaired by Zhao Dali, Executive Vice Chairman and Secretary-General of CIPRA, and Zhang Lan, Vice Chairman of CIPRA, with around 70 participants from the United Nations, African Embassies in China, African communication agencies, Chinese embassies in Africa, Chinese enterprises, and scholars attending online.

People-to-people Exchanges Promoting the Building of a China-Africa Community with a Shared Future – Parallel Event of the 6th China-Africa People's Forum Held in Beijing

On November 18, an international event of People-to-people Exchanges Promoting the Building of a China-Africa Community with a Shared Future was held online and offline. It was co-sponsored by the Security Research Office of the China-Africa Institute and the National Key R&D Programmes (NKPs) project team of “Key Technologies and Application Demonstration of Night Lights Remote Sensing for SDGs Progress Evaluation”. The main venue of the

event was set at the China-Africa Institute.

The meeting was a parallel event of the 6th China-Africa People's Forum. More than 30 envoys from African embassies in China as well as scholars, experts and representatives of African students from China-Africa Institute, Beijing Foreign Studies University, Wuhan University and China University of Geosciences (Wuhan) attended the meeting.

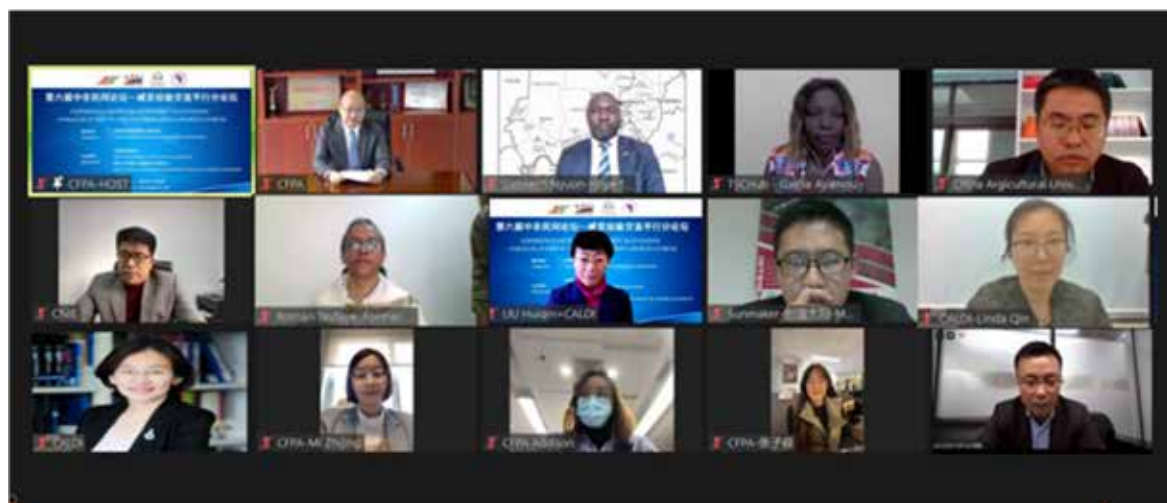
Experience Exchange on Poverty Alleviation – Parallel Event of the 6th China-Africa People's Forum Held in Beijing



On November 18, during the 6th China-Africa People's Forum, a parallel event with the theme of Experience Exchange on Poverty Alleviation was successfully held in Beijing. Under the guidance of China NGO Network for International Exchanges (CNIE), it was co-sponsored by the China Foundation for Poverty Alleviation (CFPA) and the China-Africa Leadership Development Institute (CALDI) of Tsinghua University. This forum was held online with two main sections, "Enlightenment of China's Poverty Alleviation to Africa" and "Cases of China-Africa Cooperation in Poverty Reduction and Development".

Wang Ke, Deputy Secretary-General of CNIE, and Liu Wenkui, Executive Vice Chairman of the CFPA,

opened the floor for the forum. Guests, both home and abroad, focused on the theme of the China-Africa People's Forum, "Solidarity and Cooperation, Prosperity and Development, to Build a Community with a Shared Future for Mankind", sharing experiences on their poverty reduction practices and contributing wisdom to promote China-Africa non-governmental cooperation. About 45 participants who pays close attention to China-Africa non-governmental exchanges, coming from Ethiopia, Cameroon, Liberia, South Sudan and Tanzania as well as domestic institutions of China Agricultural University, CFPA, CGCOC, and Sunmaker Vocational Training Institute, took part in the event.



Vocational Education Connects People's Heart – Parallel Event of the 6th China-Africa People's Forum Held in Nanjing

On November 23, under the guidance of China NGO Network for International Exchanges (CNIE), the Vocational Education Connects People's Heart sub-forum on vocational education, as a parallel event of the 6th China-Africa People's Forum, was held in Nanjing. The event was sponsored by China Vocational Education Association (CVEA), organized by Jiangsu Provincial CVEA and Nanjing Vocational University of Industry Technology (NUIT), and co-organized by the CVEA's Overseas Exchange and Cooperation Committee.

This event marked as one of the parallel events held as scheduled after the IDCPC's convening of the opening session of the Forum on November 15th. Representatives from the African Union in China, the China Association for Non-governmental Education (CANGE), CNIE, the Foreign Affairs Office of Jiangsu Provincial People's Government, Jiangsu Provincial CVEA, NUIT, CVEA's Overseas Exchange and Cooperation Committee, provincial and local CVEA, donors for Africa, African students

in China, African employees in China, African universities and colleges, and students in Africa, to name a few, took part in this forum both online and offline.

Themed "Vocational Education Connects People's Heart", the event aimed to discuss China-Africa exchanges and coordination in the field of vocational education, training of technical talents, and service of corporate social development. Vocational education is expected to act as a bridge that helps build a China-Africa non-governmental cooperation platform and promote people-to-people connectivity. In the keynote speech session, experts and scholars of vocational education, friendly partners of African universities, and African youths benefiting from China-Africa vocational education exchanges and cooperation who are still in the campus or have graduated, shared their experience, effective practices, vision on cooperation and personal feelings from different perspectives.



From Policies to Practices: Global Significance of China-Africa Cooperation – Parallel Event of the 6th China-Africa People's Forum was Held

On November 25, the report launching event, themed “From Policies to Practices: Global Significance of China-Africa Cooperation”, was held at China Agricultural University. As one of the parallel events of the 6th China-Africa People's Forum, this launching event focused on Africa's politics, poverty reduction practices, agricultural and economic issues. Four think tank reports of Africa Development Outlook 2021, compiled by the College of International Development and Global Agriculture (CIDGA), CAU, were issued at the event.

Chen Zhou, Vice Minister of IDCPC, Jiang Peimin, Secretary of the Party Committee of CAU, and Miraji Ussi, Minister-Counsellor of the Embassy of



Tanzania in China, attended the event and delivered speeches. Du Taisheng, Vice President of CAU, and Xu Xiuli, Dean of CIDGA, performed their roles as moderators.



At the report launch event. Source: CAU

Silk Road Community Building Initiative China-Africa People-to-people Friendly Partnership Plan (2021-2023)

I.Livelihood Cooperation

1. All-China Women's Federation carries out material donation projects in African countries.
2. China NGO Network for International Exchanges organizes organization members to carry out Kit of Love Project in Africa.
3. Silk Road NGO Cooperation Network organizes members to conduct livelihood projects in Africa.
4. Red Cross Society of China cooperates with Red Cross Society of African countries to conduct community comprehensive development projects.
5. CFPA launched Water, Environmental Sanitation and Personal Hygiene Program and Panda Pack Project in Ethiopia.
6. CFPA launches Panda Pack Project in South Sudan.
7. CFPA launches Panda Pack Project in Namibia.
8. China Foundation for Peace and Development and China Family Planning Association launches Kit of Love Project in Malawi, Ethiopia and Zimbabwe.
9. CFPD launches anti-pandemic support project in several countries in Africa.
10. China Reproductive Health Industry Association (CRHIA) donates reproductive health products to African countries.
11. China-Africa Business Council conducts Increasing Love for Decreasing AIDS Teenager International Public Welfare Project.
12. Beijing New Sunshine Charity Foundation

launches New Sunshine Ward School Project.

13. StarTimes Group carries out maintenance project of "Access to Satellite TV for 10,000 African Villages Project".
14. Beijing International Peace Culture Foundation carries out African products promotion project.
15. Zhonghao Overseas Construction Engineering Co., Ltd. carries out drinking water, irrigation and other livelihood projects related to their local projects in Kenya, Uganda, Nigeria, etc.
16. Amity Foundation launches Amity Torch Project and Amity Love & Dream Sponsorship Program in Ethiopia, Kenya, Uganda and other countries.
17. Amity Foundation launches Living Water Campaign in Kenya and Uganda.
18. Shenzhen Mindray Bio-medical Electronics Co., Ltd. conducts Mindray Ultrasonic Schools upgrade and building projects in Egypt, Morocco, Somali, Sudan and other countries.
19. Guangzhou Double One Latex Products Co., Ltd cooperates with United Nations Population Fund to donate reproductive health products to Togo, Ethiopia and Uganda.
20. Association Generale Chine-Afrique (Madagascar) Guangzhou Office donate medicine to assist African countries including Madagascar, South Africa, and Tanzania.

II. People-to-people and Cultural Exchanges

1. All China Women's Federation holds China-Africa

Women Forum.

2. Beijing NGO Network for International Exchanges and Beijing People's Association for Friendship with Foreign Countries co-host culture and tourism exhibition on China International Fair for Trade In Services.

3. China Communist Youth League Beijing Committee and Beijing Youth Federation hold Beijing Sister City Youth Camp and "Future Leader • Youth Ambassador" 2021 International Youth Social Practice Summer Camp.

4. Beijing Peaceland Foundation cooperates with Qingdao Sanyutai Energy Company to carry out wildlife protection project in Tanzania.

5. Beijing Volunteer Service Federation hold the 3rd International Volunteer Service Exchange Conference and International Volunteer Service Training "Cloud Sharing" Program.

6. Beijing Retio Legal and Commercial Service Center for Belt and Road Initiative compiles *The Legend of the People along the Belt and Road—9 LIVES EMINENT EGYPTIANS* and *The Legend of the People along the Belt and Road—10 Lives Eminent Ethiopians*.

7. Beijing International Peace Culture Foundation carries out Pan-Africa Peace and Culture Forum.

8. Beijing International Peace Culture Foundation carries out Peace Garden Peace Festival and the International Photo Contest "Youth Eyes on the Silk Road".

9. StarTimes Group carries out Carnival of Chinese Films and TV Dramas Project.

10. StarTimes Group carries out Beijing Top TV Dramas & Movies Broadcasting Season in Africa.

11. StarTimes Group carries out local languages dubbing contests in Africa.

12. Reanda International provides financial, tax and

legal support to China-invested enterprises in Africa.

13. Amity Foundation organizes volunteer international exchange and study project in countries including Ethiopia, Kenya, Uganda and Tanzania.

14. World Historic and Cultural Canal Cities Cooperation Organization establishes China-Africa Civil Society Organization Alliance.

15. Hecun African Cultural Park in Hunan province carries out new incubation center project and African culture research and study project.

16. The Malian post-doctor Diarra and his research group in Hunan University of Chinese Medicine establishes Africa-China Traditional Medicine Research Institute in Mali.

17. Yulin Municipal Great Wall Protection Volunteer Association in Shaanxi Province conducts series cultural exchange activities for teenagers in South Africa.

18. Gansu NGO Network for International Exchanges, Gansu Provincial People's Association for Friendship with Foreign Countries and Gansu UNESCO Association hold the launching ceremony of the Silk Road Community Building Initiative in Egypt, Big River Forum series events and Chinese poverty alleviation Exhibition, etc.

19. Hainan Provincial Economic and Cultural Promotion Association carries out African culture promotion and people-to-people exchange activities.

20. China International Cocoa Industry Innovation Platform cooperates with countries including Ghana, Ivory Coast, Cameroon to co-host China International Cocoa & Chocolate Forum.

III. Capacity Building

1. China NGO Network for International Exchanges carries out capacity building workshop for CSOs in African countries.

2. All-China Women's Federation conducts capacity

building projects for female ministers and women organizations and financial aid projects for female overseas students.

3. Red Cross Society of China organizes capacity building workshop for public health officials of African countries.

4. China Vocational Education Association carries out China-Africa Vocational Education Cooperation Project.

5. China Foundation for Peace and Development conducts IMPA- African Future Leaders Program.

6. World Federation of Acupuncture-Moxibustion Societies carries out The Belt and Road Traditional Chinese Medicine and Acupuncture International Inheritance Education and Training Project in South Africa, Mauritius, Tanzania and other countries.

7. China Agricultural Machinery Distribution Association and Sinosky Industry Limited (Sudan) builds Gazeera Cotton Industry Mechanization Training Park in Sudan.

8. China Agricultural Machinery Distribution Association and Sinosky Industry Limited (Sudan) builds Mulberry Planting and Silkworm Breeding Skills and Protein as Medicine and Food Production Demonstration Park.

9. Beijing NGO Network for International Exchanges, Beijing Association for Science and Technology and Beijing Vocational College for Agriculture hold agricultural skill training program in Mauritius.

10. Beijing New Sunshine Charity Foundation carries out comprehensive prevention and control of cancer project in Africa.

11. Zhongguancun the Belt and Road Industrial Promotion Association hosts China-Africa Enterprise

Development Innovation Results Sharing Activity.

12. Beijing Ambridge International Culture Development Co., Ltd and Wenzhou Medical University host Midwifery Training Program in countries including Tanzania and Ghana.

13. World Historic and Cultural Canal Cities Cooperation Organization establishes Egypt World Canal College in Egypt.

14. Shenzhen Mindray Bio-medical Electronics Co., Ltd and Anhui Provincial Hospital cooperate hospitals of Morocco to conduct academic exchanges activities of Chinese and African hospitals.

15. Chongqing Renewable Energy Society organizes China-Africa Climate Change Capacity Building Program for Chinese and African young people.

16. Hubei Chamber of Commerce in Africa carries out Dandelion Education Assistance Plan in Africa.

17. International Youth Entrepreneur Cooperation Center of Houhu in Hunan province conducts African Youth Elite Talent Training Program.

18. Xiangtan University in Hunan province carries out overseas student exchange program, scholarship awarding and relevant researches of Chinese and African laws in Uganda, Tanzania and South Africa, etc.

19. Hunan Shea Biological Technology Co., LTD conducts shea and cocoa standardization research and daily chemical development in Mali to lift the income of local poor people.

20. Yunnan Stark Trading Co., LTD carries out industry projects in Mali to support local employment and raise the income of local people.

21. China Merchants Charity Foundation carries out a youth entrepreneurship project in Djibouti

Responses for the Sixth China-Africa People's Forum

I. Responses from the Chinese Side

WU Hongbo (CIPRA President, Special Representative of the Chinese Government on European Affairs, and former Deputy Secretary-General of the United Nations): China-Africa cooperation has a solid foundation. Faced with the challenge of the pandemic, the two sides worked together to overcome the difficulties, which fully demonstrated the brotherhood between Chinese and African people. However, in recent years, certain countries and some Western media slander China, make up rumors, and shifting the blame to China, bringing damages to China's image in the world. China-Africa cooperation and friendship were also disrupted and sabotaged. Promoting China-Africa friendly cooperation is a vital part of China's diplomacy. In addition to the productive work carried out by the Chinese government, China-Africa cooperation also needs NGO efforts. The China-Africa People's Forum played an active and unique role in enhancing people-to-people friendship, promoting pragmatic cooperation, and advancing regional peace. In future cooperation between China and Africa, we should clarify our goals, increase investment, strengthen connections, and improve methods. Facing new development opportunities, it is necessary for our two sides to develop a new type of China-Africa strategic partnership, to jointly pursue sustainable development, benefit the people of both sides, and make due contributions to world peace and development.

XU Lvping (former Vice Minister of IDCPC, and Vice President of CNIE): The opening session of the 6th China-Africa People's Forum was held on November 15. Xi Jinping, General Secretary of the CPC Central Committee and President of the People's Republic of China, sent a congratulatory letter to the forum, which fully demonstrated the great importance of the Party and government attached to China-Africa comprehensive strategic partnership and the people-to-people friendship between the two sides. The letter pointed the direction and provided a fundamental guideline for China-Africa relations and non-governmental exchanges and cooperation. The theme of this event is to discuss practices of China-Africa public diplomacy and international communication, which is of great significance for promoting non-governmental exchanges between China and Africa. Both sides are encouraged to make concerted efforts to implement President Xi's ardent expectations in the congratulatory letter, so as to make greater contributions to open up new prospects for China-Africa people's friendly cooperation.

FANG Naichun (Secretary of the Party Leadership Group and Director General of China Vocational Education Association, i.e. CVEA): I sincerely hope that through this forum, a better platform of communication and cooperation between China and Africa in vocational education would be established, and better mechanisms built, to deepen cooperation

in different fields including vocational colleges, skills training, employment and entrepreneurship, and students exchange programs. The CVEA's Overseas Exchange and Cooperation Committee will collect stories of friendly exchanges from both China and Africa, to draw useful experience and explore a replicable model of cooperation. I wish our two sides can use vocational and technical education exchanges as bonds to help China-Africa friendship continue in the long run.

WANG Dongmei (Vice President of CIPRA and former Secretary of the Secretariat of the All-China Journalists Association): In the past two years, China joined hands with African countries to fight against the pandemic, proving that the two sides share weal and woe and boast close connections. The theme of this forum is to promote exchanges and mutual learning between Chinese and African experts and scholars and to contribute wisdom to advance cooperation. The sound development of China-Africa relations needs people-to-people diplomacy. In terms of media, we should stay objective and truthful, strengthen online communication of

information, promote the healthy development of non-governmental exchanges including media cooperation, so as to enhance mutual understanding and trust and cement the foundation of friendly cooperation. Looking forward, more channels for non-governmental communication between the two sides should be opened to create a multi-layer discourse network for China and Africa.

WU Wenxue (Vice President of CIPRA and former Deputy Director of China National Tourism Administration): China-Africa tourism cooperation has broad prospects but there is still a long way to go. It is a bounden duty to support the development of Africa, the root of which lies on mutually beneficial cooperation. As Covid-19 continues to wreak havoc, the two sides should maintain cooperation, strengthen communication, and jointly overcome difficulties in travel distance, safety and language, with a special focus on infrastructure services. It is believed that with the pandemic getting under control in the future, China-Africa people-to-people tourism cooperation will be able to scale new height and bear new fruits.

II. Responses from Foreign Friends

Yomi Badejo-Okusanya (President of African Public Relations Association): Africa and China enjoy a long history in our friendly cooperation. Chinese companies can be seen everywhere in Africa. Africa-China economic ties are in balance and based on mutual benefits. The two sides must work together to move towards win-win cooperation and mutual understanding, so as to build a better Africa-China relationship.

Z. Shangwa (Executive Chairperson of Global

Peace Lets Talk): Under the strong leadership of General Secretary Xi Jinping, China has successfully achieved its first centenary goal. With Covid-19 still raging across the world. China and other countries have strengthened solidarity and cooperation and fostered a strong synergy.

Maxim Behar (Ambassador for Communication of APRA): General Secretary Xi Jinping's congratulations were exciting, which fully reflected the importance Chinese leaders attach to China-

Africa relations and indicated a bright future for China-Africa ties. Through public relations and information dissemination, a bridge of communication between the two sides will be built to help boost mutual understanding between our two peoples.

Dr. Yara Nabil Zaki (Lecturer of Physical Therapy and Chinese Medicine, Egyptian Chinese University): I'd like to extend appreciation to General Secretary Xi Jinping for sending a congratulatory letter to the forum. The importance Chinese leaders laid on China-Africa relations is very encouraging.

Sawy (Chairman of Egyptian-Chinese Cultural Exchange Association): In the congratulatory letter from General Secretary Xi Jinping, I felt the sincere wishes of China to promote practical cooperation, share development philosophy and experience, and jointly move towards prosperity and strength together with African countries. I look forward to having close contact with all walks of life in China, strengthening exchanges, and jointly carrying out people's livelihood cooperation, thus benefiting the two peoples.

Ovey (National Federation of Parents of Children with Mental Disabilities, Algeria): China-Africa People's Forum made great achievements in promoting people-to-people exchanges between the two sides, which proves that China is a truly reliable friend and a firm partner of Africa in realizing mutually beneficial exchanges.

Eric Biegon (Journalist, Kenya Broadcasting Corporation, KBC): China-Africa People's Forum is an important platform for deepening the friendship and cooperation between the two sides. This event will surely enhance the two peoples' mutual understanding and consensus, fostering a sound

atmosphere for FOCAC.

Tewodros Melesse (Chairman of African Youth Renaissance Ethiopia): Africa should actively learn from China's experience in education, social and economic development through the China-Africa People's forum.

Ahamet M. ISSA: In his congratulatory letter, General Secretary Xi Jinping has put forward earnest expectations for China-Africa People's Forum. Non-governmental exchanges would lay a solid foundation for China-Africa comprehensive cooperation.

Ahmed (Manager of Cotton Processing Plant, Gezira State, Sudan): Thank the Chinese government and non-governmental organizations for their efforts to deepen the friendly cooperation between the people of China and Africa, and hope that Sudan can learn from China's experience in poverty alleviation, so that more people can live a prosperous life.

Angela (Student, from Lesotho, Yangzhou Polytechnic Institute): As a young international student, I will take the initiative to act as a teller and disseminator of Chinese stories, and take practical actions to enhance the international influence of Chinese culture, and become the most dynamic link between China and the world.

Zah (Cotton farmer, from Gezira, Sudan): I wish to have the chance to learn mechanical cotton-picking technology in China, so as to help Sudanese cotton farmers increase productivity and improve quality and develop Sudan's cotton planting industry.

Hayler (Businessman, from Sudan): Looking forward to have the opportunity to visit China and learn from China's business ideas.

Chinese Civic Organizations Address UN Human Rights Council

Chinese non-profit organizations have addressed a session of the United Nations Human Rights Council to set out how they see themselves contributing to improving the human rights situation at home and abroad.

According to a summary of their contributions distributed by China's Mission to the UN in Geneva, representatives of a broad range of civic groups spoke out on different issues, sometimes expressing frustration with international perceptions of their country.

On the coronavirus pandemic

Wu Peng, a representative of the China Foundation for Poverty Alleviation, said his organization had worked in Myanmar, Nepal, Pakistan, Ethiopia, Namibia, and Uganda to try to alleviate the impact of a crisis that is estimated to have pushed 100 million people into poverty.

Speaking on behalf of the China Human Rights Development Foundation, Yang Bochao, said its focus had been on providing vaccines and humanitarian support around the world. At least 100 countries have received a total of 480 million Chinese vaccines.

On economic development

China has continued to improve access to foreign

companies, said Zhang Xiaoyu, a representative of the China Association for the Promotion of International Multinational Corporations. More than a million foreign-funded enterprises are now operating in the country and a better investment framework improves the livelihoods of workers around the world, he added.

On living standards

China has invested more than 600 billion yuan (\$930m) to implement relocation assistance for disadvantaged rural households with poor living conditions, said Zheng Ruohan, a lecturer at the Institute of Human Rights at Southwest University of Political Science and Law. Adding that those benefiting from the measures would also gain improved access to education, medical care, cultural experiences and job opportunities.

On leprosy

The number of new leprosy cases in China is predicted to fall to 200 in 2020, compared with many thousands a decade ago. Patients are treated for free and the government is working to tackle stigmatization, according to Meng Qingtao, deputy dean of the Institute of Human Rights of Southwest University of Political Science and Law.

Chinese NGOs Call for More International Efforts to Safeguard Right to Development

Some Chinese NGOs and international experts have called for more efforts from non-government sectors to help safeguard human rights during the COVID-19 pandemic, such as the right to food, education, housing and decent work.

The calls were made on Monday at a parallel event for the 47th Session of the United Nations (UN) Human Rights Council, which was held online from Beijing, about non-governmental organization (NGO)'s contribution to the right to development.

Experts on the panel pointed out that the right to development of people of all countries, developing countries in particular, is facing serious challenges.

"NGOs, as an important force in global human rights governance, can contribute to protecting the right to development," said Xu Lyuping, vice-president of China NGO Network for International Exchanges.

"We need to step up cooperation on vaccine R&D, production and distribution, so that vaccines can truly become useful and affordable public goods

for people of all countries, especially in developing countries," Xu added.

Bolat Ussenov, deputy director of China Studies Center in Kazakhstan, stressed the importance on why NGOs should develop a more cohesive identity in the world arena.

"The foreign policy of individual countries is burdened with internal biases and is aimed at their interests," said Ussenov, adding "NGOs, in comparison with state bodies, have higher mobility in providing consultations, allocating material assistance to those in need."

In 1970, Kabbah Mubaye, member of the UN Commission on Human Rights, clearly put forward the concept of the "right to development."

Later in 1986, UN General Assembly adopted the Declaration on the Right to Development, establishing the right to development as a human right.



Pandemic Slowing Poverty Relief Progress: Expert

The novel coronavirus pandemic has slowed the world's progress in protecting people's economic, social and cultural rights, and the situation requires ever closer cooperation among the United Nations, countries and regions, as well as social groups, an expert said.

Wang Xingzui, executive vice-president of the China Foundation for Poverty Alleviation, said at an online conference on Friday that protecting people's economic, social and cultural rights has long been a focus of the UN Human Rights Council, as it's key to the life and welfare of billions of people all over the world, especially those living in developing countries.

Addressing the conference, a parallel event of the ongoing 47th Session of the UN Human Rights Council, Wang said it is important to promote dialogue and share experiences on the protection of economic, social and cultural rights among NGOs and other stakeholders.

Somsanouk Mixay, secretary general of the Lao Committee for Peace and Solidarity, Amjad Pervaiz from the Pakistan Red Crescent Society, other Chinese and foreign experts and representatives of international NGOs participated in the event.

The COVID-19 pandemic, which is still rampant across the world, has even threatened some basic human rights including access to food, clean water, shelter and education, Wang said.

Zhang Yunfei, council member of the United Nations Association of China, said at the online conference that the pandemic has brought far-reaching impacts to economic, social and cultural rights protection.

She stressed that fulfilling the economic, social and cultural rights of people in developing countries is vital to promoting human rights around the world as the populations in developing economies account for about 80 percent of the world's total.

According to Zhang, it's extremely important for the entire international community to reach a consensus to protect people's economic, social and cultural rights, which are of vital importance to the fulfillment of all human rights.

She said that the human rights mechanism of the United Nations should pay more attention to the promotion and protection of people's economic, social and cultural rights, especially the rights to subsistence and development. The developed economies must provide financial and technological assistance to the developing ones.



Experts Reject Alleged Suppression of Ethnic Minorities

China's northwest Xinjiang region remains a top issue at the 48th session of the UN Human Rights Council. China's delegation at the session is refuting allegations of genocide, forced labor, and religious suppression. Some experts have also criticized these narratives about Xinjiang. CGTN's Feng Yilei has more.

Controversies of alleged violations against Uyghurs and other minority groups in Xinjiang have risen, at the regular session of UN Human Rights Council. Researchers and activists from China, Pakistan and UK made a retort at a webinar on Friday.

CARLOS MARTINEZ Independent Researcher and Political Activist "It is deeply involved in the business of the new cold war and the militarization of

the Pacific. These sources are absolutely not credible. They are organs of information warfare being deployed by the U.S. and its allies."

Some say figures about Xinjiang's development speak for themselves.

XU LYUPING Vice President China NGO Network for International Exchanges "The living standards, health and education of ethnic groups have been widely improved. Thanks to the efforts of the people of all ethnic groups. Xinjiang has been free from violent terrorist cases for more than four consecutive years."

Speakers at the conference also disclosed the situation in Xinjiang based on their own experience there.



MUHAMMAD ZAMIR ASSADI Journalist, Independent News Pakistan "I have spent a very good time in China as a journalist and experienced a high level of religious freedom for Muslims residing in various regions. I met with Muslims in various provinces of China who shared with us that the Chinese government is attaching equal importance to protecting the culture of all ethnic groups in Xinjiang, and citizens' right to freedom of religious belief is also guaranteed."

In fact, China had made it clear months ago, that it would welcome a UN visit to Xinjiang, but never an "investigation with a presumption of guilt."

PANG CHUNXUE Minister Counselor, Chinese Embassy in Pakistan "Those who tell lies on Xinjiang are aimed pursuing their own anti-China political agenda. They care nothing about facts and truth at all, nor did they actually do anything good to contribute to Xinjiang well-being."

Experts believe central Asian countries should be responsible for ending political manipulation in the name of human rights defenders.

SABAH ASLAM Executive Director Islamabad

Institute of Conflict Resolution "When it comes to our region, America or the western states that are the educators of the human rights, they forgot what is going on in India, with the minorities, what is going on in Kashmir. This is the time, the high time, that we can do maximum, because once America is out of this region, this is the time for the regional countries now to play their active role."

At a recent session of the UN Human Rights Council, some countries such as Venezuela, South Sudan and the Maldives said they were opposed to external interference in China's domestic affairs.

FENG YILEI Hami, Xinjiang Uygur Autonomous Region "They said China has made strides in human rights, as representatives of some ethnic minorities spoke at the session. Those from Xinjiang shared how they were lifted out of poverty and guaranteed labor rights. Chinese delegates said that unilateral measures targeting Xinjiang infringe upon people's rights and those of Chinese enterprises in the region. And they called for a stop to such infringements. Feng Yilei, CGTN, Hami in the Xinjiang Uygur Autonomous Region."

China an Important Contributor to Global Human Rights Progress

China has made remarkable achievements in human rights and contributed its wisdom and solutions to global human rights governance, promoting the world's human rights cause, said heads of social organizations, experts and scholars from countries including China, the United Kingdom (UK), France, Japan, Pakistan, Laos, and Venezuela.

They expressed such views at online side events at the 48th session of the United Nations Human Rights Council (UNHRC), which were held by social organizations and human rights research institutes including China Society for Human Rights Studies and China NGO Network for International Exchanges (CNIE).

Through institutional and policy guarantees, China ensures that ethnic minority citizens enjoy rights to equality and freedom and to economic, social and cultural services. China helps all ethnic minority

areas accelerate their economic and cultural development, according to attendees at these side events.

China's efforts and achievements in promoting overall, comprehensive, proactive, and substantial protection of the rights of people of all ethnic groups in its Tibet autonomous region over the past 70 years since the peaceful liberation of the region have fully demonstrated socialist system's advantage and characteristic of protecting the rights of ethnic minority groups, said Yang Zongke, president of Northwest University of Political Science and Law in China.

China's experience in protecting human rights in Tibet has offered the world good examples of human rights protection, Yang said.

China's success in reducing poverty in Tibet has further guaranteed a fair and just environment



for human rights development, strengthened the capabilities of impoverished population in Tibet to take part in social and economic development and share the fruits of development, and better safeguarded the rights of residents in the region to subsistence and development, representing a historic achievement in human rights in Tibet, said Kelsang Drolma, a researcher on Tibetan economy and society with the China Tibetology Research Center.

By showing the realities of the sound economic and social development in northwest China's Xinjiang Uygur autonomous region, participants in these side events have debunked the false allegations against the region made by a handful of Western countries who have attempted to smear China.

Carlos Martinez, an independent researcher and political activist from the UK, said that he hasn't seen any phenomenon of the so-called "cultural extinction" or "religious persecution" in Xinjiang during his visits to the region in recent years. The accusation of human rights violations in Xinjiang made by certain Western countries is entirely groundless, according to him.

Muhammad Zamir Assadi, a journalist with Independent News Pakistan, said he has visited Xinjiang and had a wonderful time there. During his stay in the region, he could truly feel that the Chinese government respects the traditional culture and folk customs of the ethnic minority groups in Xinjiang very much and fully guarantees local Muslims' freedom of religious belief, according to Assadi.

Last month, China's State Council Information Office released the "Human Rights Action Plan of China (2021-2025)," the country's fourth human rights action plan. It attracted wide attention and became a hot topic at online side events.

China's fourth human rights action plan is in line with the country's social and cultural environment and shows the country's attention to safeguarding the

rights of special groups and commitment to solving problems including poverty, said Sitsang khom Sisaketh, Lao deputy permanent representative to the United Nations Office at Geneva (UNOG).

China has set a good example to countries around the world by issuing and implementing the action plan, he said.

China has made significant progress in protecting human rights, said Rajmi Manatunga, first secretary of the Permanent Mission of Sri Lanka to the UNOG.

China has met the poverty eradication target set out in the United Nations 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development 10 years ahead of schedule, which is particularly impressive and has a profound influence on the international community, Manatunga noted.

China's fourth human rights action plan is rich and comprehensive in content and worth recommending and encouraging, Manatunga said.

There are good practices of respecting and safeguarding human rights in different industries in China, which are worth further studying and sharing by the international community, said Bård A. Andreassen, professor of human rights at the Norwegian Centre for Human Rights, University of Oslo and research director of the research group on human rights and development at the Faculty of Law, University of Oslo.

"The Chinese government has issued four human rights action plans consecutively. It is an important manifestation of the constant development of China's human rights," said Tang Yingxia, deputy director of the human rights research center of China's Nankai University.

A highlight of the latest human rights action plan is that it uses a whole chapter to specify people's environmental rights and enrich the connotation of environment-related human rights, which demonstrated China's high attention to the field, Tang noted.

China's NGOs Affirm Support for UN Initiatives

China's social organizations have supported the role of the United Nations and taken concrete actions to accelerate the implementation of the UN 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, researchers and representatives from NGOs said at a webinar on Wednesday.

The webinar "United Nations and Me: Stories from NGOs" was jointly held on Wednesday by the China NGO Network for International Exchanges and the Chinese Association for International Understanding. Dozens of representatives from Chinese and foreign NGOs attended the online meeting, sharing their stories with the UN.

While the Chinese government has made great contributions to world peace and development in the past five decades, cooperation between China's NGOs and the UN has also played an important role in supporting the UN, said Yuan Zhibing, secretary-general of the CAIU.

Since the outbreak of the COVID-19 pandemic, China's nongovernmental forces have launched events to support the global fight against the virus, Yuan said.

China's NGOs have also done a lot in poverty alleviation and tackling climate change.

Wu Peng, representative of the China Foundation for Poverty Alleviation, an NGO founded in 1989, said the organization has actively participated in and interacted with UN agencies since 2016 to share the Chinese experience in poverty reduction.

By the end of 2020, the organization has raised 7.83 billion yuan (\$1.2 billion) in funds, Wu said. Its "Smiling Children School Feeding" project and "Panda Pact" project were selected as the best global poverty reduction projects by seven organizations of the UN system and the World Bank in 2019 and 2021 respectively.

Ni Yao from the All-China Environment Federation said social organizations have many things to do to integrate social forces for environmental protection.

Yao called on more Chinese NGOs to work with the UN and join social organizations across the world to accelerate the implementation of the UN goal of sustainable development and stride into a better future.



UN Human Rights Forum: Experts Share Judicial Experience in Promoting Democracy

At a recent UN forum, experts discussed ways in which equal access to justice is necessary for human rights, democracy and the rule of law. Some Chinese scholars who joined the forum gave insights into China's judicial system. Yang Shanshan has the story.

Professor Zhai Guoqiang is considered an expert on China's constitution.

At the third session of the United Nations' Forum on Human Rights, Democracy and the Rule of Law, he spoke of China's judicial reforms and how digitization has helped improve people's access to justice.

ZHAI GUOQIANG Deputy Director, Institute of International Law, Chinese Academy of Social Sciences "China has three very special courts, namely the internet courts in Beijing, Hangzhou and Guangzhou. If you want to go to the internet court to file a case, you can do it online. You can download all judgements there. You don't need to go to the actual court. This example of the internet court is a typical way of promoting democracy in China."

Professor Zhai believes democracy is a shared value, but one that differs from state to state. He says the different interpretations often lead to mistrust and discord among countries, and that this has become more apparent during the COVID-19 pandemic, with restrictions to movement and gatherings.

Other experts say dialogue is crucial to establishing and rebuilding trust.

ZHANG QI Assistant Research Fellow, Shanghai Institute of American Studies "I think judicial authorities, universities, think tanks and law firms in China should be encouraged to conduct seminars and exchanges to discuss and share theories and best practices with relevant personnel from other countries, especially on judicial problems caused by transnational crime, climate change, public health and other issues. Because all these problems are new challenges for everyone. They can't be solved by one country. We need cooperation among countries to deal with them."

YANG SHANSHAN Beijing "Due to the pandemic, many participants can't travel to Geneva, so they are contributing online. But this doesn't make them any less passionate about the topics. Many Chinese scholars are calling for more international judicial cooperation. They say to achieve this, countries should respect others' cultures and political systems, seek common ground rather than impose their own standards on others. Yang Shanshan, CGTN, Beijing."



