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Brilliant achievements of new China's 60 years

SIXTY years is only a short moment in civilization, but during this period New China has created numerous miracles. China, once an impoverished semi-colonial, semi-feudal country, has transformed from a fragmented nation to a united one, from being bullied to being widely respected, from being poor and backward to being thriving and prosperous. China's economic output ranks third in the world and the Chinese people generally lead prosperous lives.

Since the founding of the People's Republic of China in 1949, China has made

tremendous achievements in the development of its economy, politics, culture, society, ecological civilization and CPC construction. China's economic strength has increased substantially and people's living standards have improved significantly. Consistent progress has been made in improving democracy and the legal system. A new situation in cultural development has been created, and all-round social development has proceeded. Historic

achievements have been made in the development of national defense and the armed forces. The great cause of China's peaceful unification has taken great steps forward. Major progress has been made in all-directional diplomacy and the great new undertaking to build the CPC has made solid progress.

Over the past 60 years, in particular during the past 30 years of reform and opening-up, the Chinese people,

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Ambassador's Message

THIS October 1st marks the 60th anniversary of the founding of the People's Republic of China. On this auspicious occasion, I wish to join the people of all walks of life in China to extend warmest congratulations to the birthday of our great motherland. I would also like to take this opportunity to express my sincere gratitude to all friends in Bangladesh for their warm greetings and best wishes on this special occasion.

Since the founding of New China in 1949, the Chinese people became their own masters and began the socialist construction. In 1978, the Chinese people embarked upon the historic drive of reform, opening-up and modernization and have made steady economic growth and phenomenal progress through unremitting efforts. The overall national strength of China has increased remarkably and the life standard of its people improved steadily.

Between 1978 and 2008, China's GDP grew from US\$ 147.3 billion to US\$ 4,327 billion, ranking No.3 in the world, with an average annual growth rate of 9.8%. Its import and export volume went up from US\$ 20.6 billion to US\$ 2561.6 billion, and its foreign exchange reserve soared from US\$ 167 million to US\$ 1950 billion. During this period, the number of its extreme poor rural population dropped from 250 million to 20 million.

Meanwhile, we are fully aware that despite the success in its development, China remains the world's largest developing country with per capita GDP US\$ 3315

ranking the 106th. The Chinese people are yet to live a well-off life, and China still faces daunting challenges. Therefore, it requires sustained and unremitting efforts to transform the country and make life better for its people. In the next eleven years, we will strive to make new progress in building a moderately prosperous society in an all-round way. To realize these goals, China has adopted a new concept of development in line with its national conditions and the requirement of the times. That is, to pursue a scientific outlook on development that makes economic and social development people-oriented, comprehensive, balanced and sustainable.

The year of 2009 marked a great challenge for China in finance and economy, but we introduced economic stimulus policies with confidence and actively promoted and participated in international development cooperation. For the internal economy, we formulated a four-pronged package plan with total investment of 4 trillion RMB (equals to US\$ 576 billion), which includes government investment, wide-ranging industrial adjustment and rejuvenation plans, strong scientific and technological support and substantial improvement of social security. For the international cooperation, we have taken an active part in the trade finance program of the International Finance Corporation and provided US\$ 1.5 billion in financing support. We have agreed with the IMF to help it increase resources by purchasing its bonds and our financing support will be used mainly to help

developing countries. We have been actively involved in the development of a reserve pooling arrangement. Contribution from China will account for 32% of the total US\$ 120 billion fund.

China has always cherished peace and harmony. China believes that "the strong should not oppress the weak, and the rich should not bully the poor" and advocated that, "all nations live side by side in perfect harmony". China holds highly the banner of peace, development and cooperation. It pursues an independent foreign policy of peace and commits itself firmly to peaceful development. It seeks to accelerate its development by upholding world peace. The world peace is, in turn, enhanced by China's development. China firmly pursues a strategy of opening-up for mutual benefit and win-win outcomes. It genuinely wishes to enter into extensive cooperation with other countries. China's development requires a long-term stable international environment, especially a stable neighboring environment. China's development will certainly contribute to the prosperity of the neighboring countries. China firmly observes the guideline of "being a good neighbor and partner" and would work with peoples in the region to create and enjoy profound friendship, mutual beneficial cooperation and common prosperity.

China and Bangladesh are close neighbors enjoying traditional and time-tested friendship. Since the establishment of diplomatic relations in 1975, we have gained fruitful and genuine cooperation of

mutual benefit in all fields of politics, economy, culture, social development, etc. We share basically identical views on most international and regional issues and conduct close coordination with each other in the international arena. In recent years, interaction of all levels between the two countries continues to expand and intensify, while trade volume in 2008 amounted to about US\$ 4.67 billion. I firmly believe that, with our joint efforts, the Comprehensive Partnership of Cooperation featuring long-term friendship, equality and mutual benefit between China and Bangladesh will be promoted to a new level in the days to come. I sincerely hope that the people of China and Bangladesh will together enjoy economic development, social progress and prosperity.



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