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Prime Ministers of Cambodia and China Reaffirmed Commitment to Deepen Diamond Cooperation

Samdech Moha Borvor Thipadei HUN Manet, Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Cambodia, and His Excellency LI Qiang, Premier of the State Council of the People's Republic of China, reaffirmed shared resolve to bring further progress to the long-lasting relations of traditional friendship and cooperation between Cambodia and China, during their meeting held on 10 October 2024, on the margins of the 44th and 45th ASEAN Summits and Related Summits in Vientiane.

The two Prime Ministers spoke highly of the substantial development of Cambodia-China relations which have reached a great height and agreed to encourage all relevant institutions to jointly work for deepening Diamond cooperation and building a Cambodia-China Community with a Shared Future. Both sides commended the achievements under the Belt and Road Initiative cooperation, which has contributed significantly to regional infrastructure connectivity.

On trade and investment cooperation, both Prime Ministers expressed great satisfaction with the growing two-way trade. The Chinese side pledged to increase the import of Cambodian agricultural products. Both sides shared the view that the cooperation between the two countries to build the "Industrial and Technological Corridor" and "Fish and Rice Corridor" is progressing well and should be further intensified. Both leaders also agreed to strengthen win-win cooperation on clean energy, including solar power and hydropower to ensure energy security. Samdech Thipadei Prime Minister welcomed increasing interest of the Chinese business.

community in seeking investment opportunity in priority areas of Cambodia

Both sides agreed to maintain frequent high-level visits and engagements to advance strategic communication and strengthen political trust to firmly steer the excellent ties and cooperation between Cambodia and China. The Chinese side reaffirmed unwavering support for Cambodia's choice of development path that suits its national conditions. Samdech Thipadei Prime Minister expressed his gratitude for China's invaluable assistance and support for the socio-economic development of Cambodia. He reiterated Cambodia's resolute adherence to the One-China policy. Both sides reaffirmed their close collaboration and mutual support in regional and multilateral fora.

On people-to-people exchanges, both sides expressed satisfaction on various activities conducted in both countries to celebrate the Cambodia-China People-to-People Exchange Year 2024 and commit to encourage more tourism exchanges.

The two leaders highlighted the significant progress on security and defence cooperation between the two countries, including holding regular consultations, joint exercise against non-traditional threats such as disaster search and rescue. Both sides discussed ways to further enhance cooperation in law enforcement and encouraged relevant ministries and institutions of both countries to work closely to jointly crack down on transnational crimes, including online scams.

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