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**Message of Congratulations from President Xi Jinping
To the Special Commemorative Meeting in Observance of
The International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People**

On the International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People, I wish to extend, on behalf of the Chinese government and people and in my own name, warm congratulations on the Commemorative Meeting.

The question of Palestine is at the heart of the Middle East issue. A comprehensive, just and lasting solution to this question, the peaceful coexistence of the two states of Palestine and Israel, and the development of the Arab and Jewish peoples side by side serve the common interests of both Palestine and Israel, conform to the long-term goal of regional stability, and meet the shared aspiration of all peace-loving countries and peoples who stand up for justice.

The resolution of the Palestine issue must follow the right principles and the right direction. The international community should uphold an objective and just stance, encourage tolerance and mutual accommodation, and seize the 30th anniversary of the Madrid Peace Conference as an opportunity to further facilitate the resumption of equal-footed dialogue between the two sides based on the two-state

solution. At the same time, it should continue to provide assistance to the Palestinian people in their fight against COVID-19, and help improve Palestine's economy, livelihood and humanitarian conditions on the ground.

China pays great attention to the question of Palestine and has firmly supported the just cause of the Palestinian people to regain their legitimate national rights. On the question of Palestine, China will always speak up for fairness and justice, actively promote peace through talks, continue to provide humanitarian, development and pandemic response assistance to Palestine, and support relevant UN efforts in this regard.

China is a sincere friend of the Palestinian people. As a permanent member of the UN Security Council and a responsible major country, China will continue working with the rest of the international community and making positive contributions to the early resolution of the Palestine issue and to enduring peace and stability in the Middle East.

Xi Jinping

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