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MESSAGE FROM YANG AMAT BERTHORMAT PRIME MINISTER OF MALAYSIA

I am delighted to know that the Global Chinese Economic and Technology Summit (GCETS) 2021 will be held in Malaysia again, after being successfully held in Chongqing, Hong Kong, Melbourne, London, Bonn, Beijing and Macao. I recognize GCETS 2021 as an important global forum promoting closer links between China and ASEAN as well as the global Chinese diaspora.

As the world recovers from the global pandemic, business and economic recovery becomes crucial to save livelihoods and jobs and to ensure sustainable growth and prosperity. I note that China's common prosperity focus is quite similar to our shared prosperity vision. When I became Prime Minister, I introduced the "Keluarga Malaysia" concept where we come together to find common purpose in a Malaysian Family. Together, we can apply the same spirit to enhance international peace and sustainable development- celebrating our common objectives and shared values whilst reducing differences and inequalities.

In that spirit, the GCETS 2021 promotes international business exchanges and networking, yielding commercial opportunities via the sharing of knowledge and expertise. More broadly, I also believe that GCETS 2021 can enhance relations between China and Southeast Asia based on mutual respect, trust and the familiarity.

As Malaysia embarks on our 12th Malaysia Plan and aims to deliver on the Digital Economy Blueprint, I believe there will be vast opportunities to invest in Malaysia particularly in Smart Manufacturing, Digital Technology, Green Technology and Seamless Logistics. In this regard, the role of the Global Chinese Diaspora is important as a source of Foreign Direct Investments (FDI). I note that 60% of FDI into China comes from the global Chinese diaspora. I warmly welcome the same global diaspora to also invest in Malaysia and make us a regional hub for the wider ASEAN market of over 650 million people.

I wish to congratulate the Founder and Patron of the GCETS, Tan Sri Lee Kim Yew for founding this successful annual forum 13 years ago in Kuala Lumpur as well as the Organising Chairman, Tan Sri Michael Yeoh.

I also congratulate the KSI Strategic Institute for Asia Pacific and their co-Organizers, the Cheng Ho Multicultural Trust, the Golden Horse Digital Bank, the China Development Institute (CDI), the Centre for China and Globalization (CCG) and the China Silk Road Group for another successful edition of the Summit.

May this summit continue to be a feature in the annual calendar of key business and investment figures as we chart a better and more prosperous future, collectively.



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