



“ASEAN Community in a Global Community of Nations”

CHAIRMAN’S STATEMENT OF THE 14th ASEAN-CHINA SUMMIT

BALI, INDONESIA, 18 NOVEMBER 2011

1. We, the Heads of State or Government of the Member States of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) and the People’s Republic of China gathered at the 14th ASEAN-China Summit as a Commemorative Summit to celebrate the 20th Anniversary of the ASEAN-China Dialogue Relations, in Bali, Indonesia, on 18 November 2011.
2. We noted with satisfaction the continued strengthening relationship and the significant progress of cooperation made within the framework of ASEAN-China Dialogue Relations since 1991 and within the strategic partnership framework.
3. We noted that ASEAN-China cooperation has expanded to cover more than 20 areas of cooperation and that substantive achievements have been made on the eleven priority areas of cooperation, namely, agriculture, ICT, human resources development (HRD), mutual investment, Mekong River basin development, transport, energy, culture, tourism, public health and environment.
4. We also expressed satisfaction with the progress of implementation of the Plan of Action for the period of 2011-2015 to Implement the Joint Declaration on the ASEAN-China Strategic Partnership.
5. We noted with pleasure the various meaningful activities undertaken to celebrate the 20th Anniversary of the ASEAN-China Dialogue Relations, throughout the ASEAN-China Friendship and Exchange Year 2011, including the ASEAN-Foreign Ministers’ Road Trip to China on Route No. 3A and the ASEAN-China Foreign Ministers’ Meeting in Kunming, China. We expressed confidence that these activities will further enhance the good relations among our countries and bring our peoples closer. In this connection, we adopted the Joint Statement of ASEAN-China Commemorative Summit to celebrate the 20th Anniversary of the ASEAN-China Dialogue Relations.

6. We stressed the importance of further enhancing the ASEAN-China Strategic Partnership in the backdrop of the enhancing international and regional environment, and advance this partnership to a new height by enhancing mutual trust and promoting cooperation in areas of political, security, economic, social-cultural, regional and international affairs.

7. We are further committed to enhance the ASEAN-China strategic partnership cooperation to contribute positively to peace, security and prosperity in the region. We reaffirmed our commitment to continue effectively the implementation of the Joint Declaration on the ASEAN-China Strategic Partnership for Peace and Prosperity 2003, the ASEAN-China Plan of Action to Implement the Joint Declaration on the ASEAN-China Strategic Partnership for Peace and Prosperity 2011-2015, as well as other Agreements and Memoranda of Understanding between ASEAN and China.

8. We noted with satisfaction the endorsement of the Guidelines on the Implementation of the DOC by our Ministers at the ASEAN-China Post Ministerial Conference in Bali, Indonesia on 22 July 2011. We reaffirm the importance of the DOC as a milestone document which embodies ASEAN and China's collective commitment to promoting peace, stability and mutual trust and to ensuring the peaceful resolution of disputes in the area, in accordance with relevant international laws, including the UN Charter, the Treaty of Amity and Cooperation and the 1982 United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea (UNCLOS). In this regard, we agreed to push forward efforts to fully and effectively implement the Declaration on the Conduct of the Parties in the South China Sea (DOC) and work towards the eventual adoption, on the basis of consensus, of a code of conduct in the South China Sea, so as to further contribute to peace, security, stability and cooperation in the region.

9. We recognized the potential threats of transnational crimes to the regional peace and security. We noted with satisfaction the progress made in the ASEAN-China cooperation in transnational crimes including the signing of the ASEAN-China Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) on Cooperation in the Field of Non-Traditional Security. In the area of non-traditional security cooperation, we are committed to fully implementing the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) for Cooperation in Non-traditional Security Issue which was signed in November 2009 in Siem Rap for a period of five years, starting from January 2010 to December 2014. We are fully committed to take all necessary steps in various areas such as institutional capacity building, training, improving domestic legislative and regulatory framework.

10. We also noted with satisfaction the significant progress in ASEAN-China other functional cooperation in the areas of science and technology, education, labour, social security, local government and people-to-people exchanges, youth, environment, media, social development and poverty reduction.

11. We reiterated our commitment to realize two-way tourist arrivals to 15 million by 2015 through strengthened policy dialogue and cooperation, encourage joint development of tourism products, encourage participation in the annual ASEAN

Tourism Forum and in the International Tourism Fair in China and ASEAN Member States as well as to enhance cooperation to implement the ASEAN Tourism Strategic Plan for 2011- 2015. ASEAN statistic showed almost 4.5 millions arrivals from China in 2009 in ASEAN countries with growth of 13.9% compared to 2007.

12. We welcomed the efforts to strengthen economic cooperation that will contribute to achieving the targets of increasing the total trade volume between ASEAN and China. We noted the significant increase from US\$ 78.3 billion in 2003 to 292.8 billion in 2010. We noted that China's Foreign Direct Investment to ASEAN reached US\$ 4.4 billion in 2010.

13. We welcome significant progress in realizing the Framework Agreement on Comprehensive Economic Cooperation since 2010. We reiterated our support and hope for the realization of ACFTA for Cambodia, Laos, Myanmar and Vietnam on schedule 2015. We further welcome the important and active role of the ACFTA Business Portal in supporting the public awareness and utilization of the ACFTA. We welcome the signing of the Protocol to Implement the Second Package of Specific Commitments under the Agreement on Trade in Services in providing more business opportunities in the ACFTA. We encourage the ACFTA Joint Committee which has been established in place of the ACFTA Negotiations Committee to play a more proactive role in making ACFTA a more useful and business-friendly instrument by facilitating the effective implementation and utilization of the Agreement, and a solid foundation for the further development of trade and investment between ASEAN and China by consolidating the progress already made and improving constancy the quality of the Agreement.

14. We officially launched the ASEAN-China Centre in Beijing and committed to utilizing the Centre to support cooperation on trade, investment, tourism, education and culture. In this connection, we tasked the centre to start undertaking concrete programmes and works to attain the goals and objectives of the Centre.

15. The ASEAN Leaders welcome China's commitment to support the Master Plan on ASEAN Connectivity and thus look forward to the development of concrete ASEAN-China projects and activities. We also noted the development of US\$ 10 billion ASEAN-China Fund on Investment Cooperation and US\$ 15 billion credit, including US\$ 6.7 billion preferential loans which supported more than 50 projects in ASEAN countries. We welcomed the additional US\$ 10 billion credit announced by China during this summit, including US\$ 4 billion preferential loans.

16. We appreciate Thailand's proposal to develop a program to enhance capacity building of business communities and chambers of commerce along the North-South Economic Corridors so that they are in the position to reap the full benefits of enhanced connectivity between ASEAN and China.

17. We welcomed the conclusion of the Feasibility Study Report on the Pan-Beibu Gulf Economic Cooperation.

18. We are committed to further cooperation in ensuring energy security, promoting efficiency, and undertaking the development of alternative and renewable energy resources.

19. We welcome the convening of the First ASEAN-China Education Ministers Roundtable Conference, the ASEAN-China Education Week, the Workshops on Traditional Chinese Medicine Advantages and Development of Traditional Medicine in ASEAN, the adoption of the ASEAN-China Environmental Cooperation Plan (2011-2013) To Implement the ASEAN-China Strategy on Environmental Protection Cooperation 2009-2015, and the establishment of the ASEAN-China Environmental Cooperation Centre.

20. We were determined to continue the implementation of the Plan of Action to implement the Beijing Declaration on ASEAN-China ICT Cooperative Partnership for Common Development (2007-2012), which has provided good direction and strong commitment for wide ranging cooperation in ICTs.

21. ASEAN Leaders expressed appreciation for the China's support for ASEAN centrality in the evolving regional architecture and for ASEAN integration as part of the development of the ASEAN Community by 2015.

22. ASEAN Leaders welcomed the decision of the government of the People's Republic of China to open its diplomatic mission and assigned the Ambassador of China to ASEAN to reside in Jakarta in early 2012.

23. The ASEAN Leaders also appreciated the proposals by China in the following areas:

- to establish China's Mission to ASEAN in 2012;
- to designate the year 2012 as the ASEAN-China Year of Cooperation in Science and Technology, launch the ASEAN-China Science and Technology Partnership Plan;
- to provide additional US\$ 10 billion loans to ASEAN countries, including US\$ 4 billion preferential loans.
- to establish ASEAN-China Committee on Connectivity Cooperation;
- to set up ASEAN-China Maritime Cooperation Fund of RMB 3 billion;
- to enhance maritime connectivity between ASEAN and China;
- to set up 10 vocational education training bases for ASEAN;
- to set up a traditional medicine exchange and cooperation centre in China;
- to establish institutionalized communication with ASEAN Coordinating Centre for Humanitarian Assistance on Disaster Management (AHA Centre), hold the 1st ASEAN-China Senior Officials' meeting of disaster management departments at an appropriate time, and explore the possibility of signing

MOU on disaster management cooperation between ASEAN and China, and set up ASEAN-China Relief Material Reserve Pool;

- to establish the mechanism of ASEAN-China Culture Ministers' Meeting, hold the 1st meeting in 2012, and explore the possibility of signing ASEAN-China action plan on cultural cooperation.
- to launch the formation of Pan-Beibu bay Economic Cooperation Roadmap.

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