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Press Release

The Embassy of Nepal, in collaboration with the China Institute of International Studies (CIIS), hosted a “Symposium on the 70th Anniversary of Nepal-China Relations: Reflections and Prospects” in Beijing today. The purpose of the event was to explore various ways and means of strengthening bilateral relationship between Nepal and China from political, historical, economic and socio-cultural perspectives.

Highlighting the importance of close and strong ties between Nepal and China dating back to the pre historic times, Ms. Roshan Khanal, Chargé d'affaires a.i. glorified the relations that have been elevated into a strategic partnership for cooperation featuring everlasting friendship for development and prosperity in recent period. She expressed satisfaction over the development cooperation between the two countries particularly in the areas of trade, investment, energy, innovation, technology transfer and people-to-people contacts and underscored the prospects of enhanced cooperation in those areas in the coming days.

Mr. Liu Qing, Vice President of the CIIS, elucidated the five principles of peaceful coexistence ‘*Panchasheel*’ as a pivotal characteristic of our time-tested and multifaceted relations. He further underlined the potential opportunities for Nepal and China to collaborate for the win-win cooperation and shared prosperity of the mankind.

The event featured three panel sessions, namely i) Reflections on the 70 years of Diplomatic relations: Historical Insights from Nepal-China ties ii) Exploring New Frontiers in Nepal-China Practical Cooperation: Economy, Trade, Investment and People-to-People Exchanges and iii) Advancing the Strategic Partnership of Cooperation Featuring Everlasting Friendship for Development and Prosperity, and Jointly Building a Nepal-China Community with a Shared Future.

From Nepali side, Mr. Sundar Nath Bhattarai, Officiating Chairperson of China Study Centre; Dr. Khaga Nath Adhikari, Senior Research Fellow at Policy Research Institute of Nepal; and Dr. Khadga KC, Rector of Tribhuvan University participated virtually while Dr. Saroj Gautam, Researcher at the Centre for Nepal Studies of East China University of Technology participated in person. The presenters apprised the evolution of Nepal-China relations in 70 years in multiple fronts and Nepal’s firm commitment to the One China Principle while appreciating China’s policy of non-interference in the domestic affairs of Nepal. They not only shed light on the significance of the Chinese assistance in the socio-economic development of Nepal, but also underscored the importance of joint efforts to promote tourism, green energy, infrastructure, connectivity, technology transfer and people-to-people relations to further deepen the friendship between two countries.

The speakers from the Chinese side included Mr. Zhang Shubin, Director of the Nepal Study Center at Hebei University of Economics and Business; Mr. Yang Chhaoyue, Assistant Research Fellow of CIIS; Ms. Tang Qifang, Senior Research Fellow of Department for





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International Strategic Studies and Ms. Yang Xiaoping, Associate Researcher from the Chinese Academy of Social Sciences. Noting the role of high-level exchanges to deepen mutual trust, respect and friendship between the countries, the presenters emphasized on the prospects of shared prosperity through Belt and Road Initiative and other existing mechanisms between Nepal and China. They stressed on the need of implementing the consensus reached by the leaders of two countries for the shared prosperity and mutual benefit.

The programme was attended by approximately 60 participants including the representatives from the CIIS, academia, think tanks, students, and media of both Nepal and China.

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