

## **New Measures of China for the 5<sup>th</sup> Ministerial Conference of the Forum for Economic and Trade Cooperation between China and Portuguese-speaking Countries**

### **I. Cooperation in Production Capacity**

1. Promote closer industry connections and cooperation in production capacity between China and Portuguese-speaking countries participating in the Forum, encourage companies to establish or upgrade economic and trade cooperation zones in Portuguese-speaking countries, boost the industrialization of Asian and African Portuguese-speaking countries participating in the Forum, and strengthen cooperation with Portuguese-speaking countries in infrastructure planning and development to improve infrastructure connectivity;

2. On the basis of market operation facilitate partnerships with companies from Portuguese-speaking countries to develop third-party markets;

3. Provide Asian and African Portuguese-speaking countries participating in the Forum with concessional loans worth no less than RMB 2 billion yuan to promote industry connections and capacity cooperation with these countries and to further strengthen cooperation in infrastructure development.

### **II. Development Cooperation**

4. Provide Asian and African Portuguese-speaking countries participating in the Forum with grant worth RMB 2 billion yuan to support these countries with their livelihood projects of key interest such as agricultural development, trade and investment facilitation, malaria prevention and treatment and research on traditional medicines;

5. Write off RMB 500 billion yuan of due interest-free loans of Asian and African Portuguese-speaking countries participating in the Forum;

6. Deepen healthcare exchanges and cooperation with Portuguese-speaking countries participating in the Forum, support Chinese hospitals to develop partnerships with hospitals in these countries, and execute healthcare program for women and children as well as free clinic treatment projects;

7. Continue to dispatch medical teams of 200 person-times to Asian and African Portuguese-speaking countries participating in the Forum.

### **III. People-to-people and Cultural Cooperation**

8. Offer training opportunities to 2000 trainees from Portuguese-speaking countries participating in the Forum;

9. Offer Chinese Government scholarships of 2500 person-years to candidates from Portuguese-speaking countries participating in the Forum;

10. Continue to help Asian and African Portuguese-speaking countries participating in the Forum to upgrade and renovate educational and cultural facilities;

11. Push for the establishment of cultural exchange platform such as China Culture Center in Portuguese-speaking countries participating in the Forum where the conditions are ripe.

### **IV. Marine Cooperation**

12. By accommodating their diverse needs and features, help Asian and African Portuguese-speaking countries participating in the Forum to develop facilities such as marine meteorological observatories to respond to marine disasters and climate change challenges;

13. Carry out practical cooperation in marine fisheries development,

marine environmental protection and marine eco-system research on the basis of respecting the wills of countries participating in the Forum.

#### **V. Greater Role of Macao as a Platform**

14. Support the Macao SAR to develop financial services platform targeting on China and Portuguese-speaking countries in order to provide financial support for the cooperation between Chinese companies and companies from Portuguese-speaking countries ;

15. Establish the Association of Enterprise Directors of China and Portuguese-speaking Countries, of which the Secretariat is based in Macao;

16. Establish in Macao Chinese-Portuguese bilingual talent training base, including encourage Macao to engage in Mainland-Macao joint diploma programs funded by government aid to offer in-service diploma education opportunities to 30 candidates from Portuguese-speaking countries participating in the Forum;

17. Establish in Macao the Center for Cultural Exchanges between China and Portuguese-speaking countries and the Youth Innovation and Entrepreneurship Center between China and Portuguese-speaking countries;

18. Establish in Macao the Complex of Commerce and Trade Cooperation Platform for China and Portuguese-speaking Countries which will provide substantive support for the cooperation between China and Portuguese-speaking countries participating in the Forum in multiple areas such as trade, investment, exhibition and convention and culture.