Remarks at the meeting of the Standing Committee on United Nations Affairs

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Honorable chair, dear colleagues,

The year 2020 marks the 75th anniversary of the founding of the United Nations. The international community has reiterated its support for multilateralism and the important role of the United Nations, and jointly and firmly uphold the international system with the United Nations as its core and the international order based on international law. It also asked Secretary General Guterres to put forward comprehensive suggestions on the future development direction of the United Nations and the global governance system. According to China's understanding, the UN Secretariat is studying the "our common agenda" report to be submitted by Secretary General Guterres and soliciting opinions from all over the world.

At present, the century's changes and the century's epidemic situation are intertwined and superimposed, the world has entered a period of turbulence and change, the instability and uncertainty have increased significantly, and the sediment of unilateralism and hegemonism has sprung up. The deficits of governance, trust, development and peace that human society is facing are increasing. It is still a long way to go to achieve universal security and promote common development. At the same time, the trend of world multipolarization has not fundamentally changed, economic globalization has shown new resilience, and the voice of upholding multilateralism and strengthening communication and cooperation has become stronger. We are in an era full of challenges and also full of hope.

China have high expectations for the report of Secretary-General Guterres. We hope that the report will respond to the call of The Times, focus on international cooperation and sustainable development in the wake of the epidemic, and firmly uphold the international system with the United Nations at its core and the international order based on international law. China will always hold high the banner of peace, development, cooperation and mutual benefit, expand friendship and cooperation with other

countries on the basis of the Five Principles of Peaceful Coexistence, work actively to build a new type of international relations, make the global governance system more just and equitable, and build a community with a shared future for mankind.

Thank you!