

Governance of China

The World-wide Significance of the New Concept, New Thought and New Strategy for National Governance

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Since the 18th National Congress of the Communist Party of China, the CPC Central Committee with Comrade Xi Jinping as the core has scientifically integrated the two overall situations of the country and the international community as well as the two major issues of development and security, thus forming a series of new concepts, new ideas and new strategies for governing the country. Especially in the field of security, accurately commanding the basic features of the contemporary era, Comrade Xi Jinping creatively puts forward a series of important concepts and initiatives such as the overall national security concept and the community of shared future for mankind. Comrade Xi Jinping innovatively works out theories, and practices personally what he preaches, which not only promotes realization of the "two century goals", the Chinese dream – the great rejuvenation of the Chinese nation process, but also has made an important contribution to maintenance of world peace and security and pushing forward the global security governance.

Outline the strategic situation: providing scientific basis for global security governance

An accurate judgment of the current global security situation is an important prerequisite for correct promotion of global security governance. Comrade Xi Jinping dialectically commands the main relationships between peace and war, between development

and retrogression, between globalization and de-globalization, between traditional security and non-traditional security, etc. and has made scientific judgments on the global security situation.

Peace and war - the force for peace far exceeds that for war. Since the reform and opening up to the outside world, the CPC has made the judgments that peace and development are the main themes of the times. Comrade Xi Jinping has pointed out clearly that the rising force for peace is far greater than the growing factors for war, and the momentum of peace, development, cooperation and win-win outcome is ever stronger. He looks at the power of balance between peace and war from a static perspective, and also calls on various countries to maintain world peace from a dynamic perspective. He has quoted the Swiss writer Hermann Hesse as saying "serving not war and destruction, but peace and reconciliation", and advocates that all countries should try their best to safeguard world peace. He also stresses that China will always be a builder for world peace, so that China, with the world's biggest population and the world's second largest economy, would contribute to world peace-building.

Development and retrogression -- the master key to development must be gripped firmly. Comrade Xi Jinping puts forward, "development is the master key to solution of all problems." Having viewed the opportunities and challenges facing the development

comprehensively and dialectically, he both clearly notes the favorable factors such as the global economic continuous growth, the rising of developing countries, the global 1.1 billion people out of poverty and others, but is also keenly aware of the prominent problems such as the serious impacts of the global financial crisis, the uneven development between the South and the North, more than 800 million people still in hunger, etc.. He emphasizes that the problems in development must be solved through deepening development. "Only by developing can we eliminate the root causes of conflicts, and safeguard the basic rights of the people." He also scientifically grasps the inner-linkage between development and security, stressing that "development is the foundation of security, security is the prerequisite for development", and serves as a guide and a navigator for all countries to give further attention to the development issues.

Globalization and de-globalization -- to solve the problems, we should not give up eating for fear of choking. In recent years, the trend of reversing globalization has reared its head globally, and economic globalization has been portrayed as the "Pandora's box". Comrade Xi Jinping, at the 2017 World Economic Forum Annual Meeting, refuted the wrong view having blamed the global chaos on economic globalization, and unequivocally pointed out that economic globalization is a historical mega-trend, its direction is correct. He also pointed out that "the anti-globalisation protests reflect the inadequacy of the economic globalization process, but to engage in protectionism and trade war is not the right approach to the problem solution, the problems caused by globalization are the problems in progress, we must recognize and try to resolve these problems, but we should not refrain from doing what we should for fear of running a risk, so he offers a prescription for various countries to command and address the problems of

globalization.

Traditional security and non-traditional security – attaching importance to treatment of chronic diseases while paying attention to the newly emerged illness. Comrade Xi Jinping has repeatedly reminded the world of the traditional security chronic maladies such as that the world economic growth is weak, the financial crisis clouds remain, the development gap has become increasingly prominent, meeting on the battleground has cropped up here and there, the cold war thinking and power politics spectre and other problems inexorably hang on, and also called attention to the newly emerged illness incubated by continuous spread of non-traditional security threats such as terrorism, refugee crisis, major infectious diseases, climate change and others. Having put forward the overall national security concept in 2014, he emphasizes the need to attach importance to both the traditional security and non-traditional security, making diagnosis and writing out the prescriptions for the chronic diseases and the newly emerged illness China and the world meet in above-mentioned areas.

On the basis of grasping the overall situation, comrade Xi Jinping points out that the sunshine of peace, development and progress is enough to penetrate the haze of war, poverty and backwardness. In view of the current characteristics of the times, he stresses that the world affairs is getting more and more necessary for various countries to discuss collectively, and to establish international mechanisms, abide by international rules and pursue international justice have become the consensus of vast number of countries. This not only gives a scientific judgment on the global security situation, but also points at the basic path and method for global security governance.

Comrade Xi Jinping points out that China's taking the road of peaceful development is the organic unity between

self-confidence in ideas and self-confidence in practice, that it advances in sound interaction, the mutual benefit and win-win outcome with various countries in the world, and takes a lead in showing to other countries to make a correct assessment of the global security situation. Having come up with the thought of the Chinese dream, and given the Chinese dream world significance, he states, "realization of the Chinese dream cannot be achieved without a peaceful international environment and a stable international order, without people's understanding, support and help of various countries. The Chinese people's dream realization will create more opportunities for all countries, and will surely promote world peace and development". China's diplomacy is committed to building a favorable international environment for the realization of the Chinese dream, and maintaining and prolonging the important strategic opportunities period for China's development. This is in itself a contribution to the maintenance of world peace and providing the impetus and guarantee for the promotion of global security governance, reflecting the theoretical courage and practical wisdom of Comrade Xi Jinping in commanding the fundamental theme of the world.

Establish strategic objectives: pointing out the direction for global security governance

Establishing a scientific strategic goal is the key step of the strategy conceiving. Comrade Xi Jinping describes the community of shared future for mankind on many occasions, and in January this year from the perspectives of partnership, security pattern, economic development, cultural exchanges, ecological construction and others systematically expounds the general path and general blueprint to build the community of shared future for mankind. In February this year, the goal is first written into a United

Nations Resolution, which is universally recognized by the international community.

In fact, to build the community of shared future for mankind has become the master program and main line for China's major country diplomacy with Chinese characteristics. It is rich in content, bears profound meaning, and goes beyond the specific diplomatic ideas and practice, is a positive contribution to the lofty cause of world peace and development made by China, and has also established a strategic objective, provided top-level design, and pointed out the direction for global security governance.

From the time and space perspectives, the concept to build the community of shared future for mankind from the philosophical height is to answer those fundamental issues such as "where we come from", "where we are now" and "where we should go" and others; to point out that "the Mother Earth is the only hometown for human survival, to cherish and care of the earth is the only choice of humankind, thus having established an important theoretical premise for all countries to strive for the common security through the promotion of global security governance.

From the vertical perspective, the concept to build the community of shared future for mankind is the main line permeating with establishing the community of shared future for peripheral areas, the regional community of shared future, a global community of shared future at all levels, provides an important theoretical guidance to further promote global security governance from all aspects. From the horizontal perspective, the concept to build the community of shared future for mankind covers many areas such as politics, economy and culture, ecological construction, security and climate change, etc. it also provides an important theoretical basis to promote global security governance in each specific field.

In general view, having creatively put

forward the concept to build the community of shared future for mankind, Comrade Xi Jinping has established a strategic goal for the global security governance, a comprehensive and systematic answer to basic issues for global security as "why to govern", "can it be governed", "what to govern" and "how to govern" and others. This remarkable theoretical achievement will surely guide the further development of global security governance.

Improve the strategic layout: building a framework for the development of global security governance

Strategic layout is the expansion of strategic objectives. The CPC Central Committee with Comrade Xi Jinping as the core has established the strategic layout of the "four comprehensives", which is the Party's overall strategy of national governance in the new situation, creatively puts forward a new development concept, and makes top-level design to promote greater development of the cause of socialism with Chinese characteristics. This is especially true with the "open and sharing" concepts that have the implications for global security governance: the concept of openness is an important path to improve China's discourse in the global governance system, while the concept of sharing is the strategic requirement for contemporary China to promote world peace and development. To adhere to the concept of openness and sharing, and to enable various countries to participate equally in global security governance and to share the outcomes of global security governance are the basic principles that global security governance must follow.

Comrade Xi Jinping puts forward an overall national security concept, a profound significant strategic thinking, calling for building a national security system composed of political security, homeland security, military security, economic security, cultural security,

social security, science and technology security, information security, ecological security, resource security, nuclear security, etc. This is our Party's strategic layout in the field of security, but also plans a systematic and scientific strategic layout for the global security governance to achieve the strategic goal of building a community of shared future for mankind.

The overall national security concept contains the built-in content for international security, comrade Xi Jinping explicitly requires attaching importance to both the national security and the common security, and building a community of shared future, pushing various parties toward the objectives of mutual benefit and common security. As China becomes more and more integrated with the world, China's national security is closely related to the peaceful development of the world. The overall national security concept takes building a community of shared future for mankind as the fundamental purpose, advocates all countries to achieve the unity of the national security and common security, abandons the outdated ideas of zero-sum game, absolute security, and alliance theory, establishes a universal and inclusive concept of national security in the world, provides correct guidance and China's program rich in features of the times for theory innovation and practice pioneering on global security governance.

Applying the strategic thinking of the overall national security concept, comrade Xi Jinping stresses that in the era of economic globalization, the security of various countries is interrelated and influence each other. No country can single-handedly seek its own absolute security, nor a country can gain stability from other countries' turmoil. He advocates abandoning all forms of Cold War thinking, and establishing a new concept of common, comprehensive, cooperative and sustainable security, promoting a global

governance concept of extensive consultation, joint contribution, and shared benefits, creating a fair and reasonable as well as jointly building and sharing security pattern, so as to build an universally secure world.

Comrade Xi Jinping pays special attention to the interrelationship of major factors in the field of security, and stresses the need to make co-ordinate responses and take measures for both the symptoms and root causes. He points out: we should push forward international cooperation in the economic and social fields together, co-ordinate responses to the traditional and non-traditional security threats, and take preventive measures against the scourge of war. He also emphasizes: national security cannot be built on the turmoil of other countries, a threat of other countries may also become a national challenge. When discussing the frequent terrorist attacks in recent years, he has stressed that terrorism, refugee crisis, etc. are closely related to geographical conflicts, and to defuse conflicts is the fundamental policy. When talking about responses to international health security incidents, he has pushed the WHO to play a leading role, ... the international community should increase medical aid to African countries and other developing countries. To study the areas' security systems in the framework of the overall security architecture, to do comprehensive research on their internal relationship and developing changes, and to coordinately put forward relevant solutions, which is Comrade Xi Jinping's another innovation of adhering to applying materialist dialectics and systems thinking to solve international security issues.

Thus, the overall national security concept is not only China's national security strategy, but to clarify the strategic layout for the global security governance, provides a feasible and practical thinking for the maintenance of world peace and security, is an all-dimensional

solution to promoting world peace and security, and an international security strategy that can be copied and popularized.

Promote strategic practice: giving new connotation to global security governance

Comrade Xi Jinping stresses that to build a community of shared future for mankind, the key is to take an action. As a matter of fact, China has always stressed the importance of strategic progress, emphasizing translation of the concept of strategic objectives and strategic layout into practical actions through its own practice, and all-dimensionally promoting the further development of global security governance.

Safeguard the core interests, clarify the bottom line of governance. China has always attached great importance to safeguarding the national core interests, and in the Five Principles of Peaceful Coexistence, "mutual respect for sovereignty and territorial integrity", "mutual non-aggression" and "non-interference in each other's internal affairs" are listed as the first three items. Comrade Xi Jinping stresses the principle of sovereign equality, arguing that national sovereignty and territorial integrity are inviolable, the internal affairs are non-intrusive, the rights to independent choice of social system and path of development should be safeguarded, and the practice of various countries to promote economic and social development and improve people's livelihood should be respected. He repeatedly states that we must adhere to the road of peaceful development, but never give up our legitimate rights, must not sacrifice the national core interests, which fully reflects the character of China's diplomacy.

These ideas and practice, in fact draw delineations of the global security governance boundary, and ensure that the global governance is not to form cliques, not to become partisan, not to prune an opponent, not

to subvert a sovereign government, not to bully the poor by the rich, but the friendly consultations on an equal footing among various countries, and the world affairs should be managed by the peoples of all countries through discussions.

Committed to theory building, contribute China's wisdom to global security governance.

To promote changes of global security governance system is inseparable from the theoretical guidance. Comrade Xi Jinping has put forward a series of new concepts to promote global security governance:

First is proposing to build a new-type international relationship with all-win cooperation as the core. Taking building a community of shared future as a common goal for international relations, the common interests as the common ground, the all-win outcomes as the basic criteria, and the cooperation as the main form. This provides the basic path for global security governance to follow.

Second is practicing a correct outlook on righteousness and benefits. China in international affairs stresses trust, emphasizes friendship, advocates justice, fosters morality, puts equal emphasis on righteousness and benefits in international cooperation. This is a perfect combination of the China's traditional advocate of "righteousness" and the promotion of global security governance, is a guide to global security governance by Chinese values.

Third is advocating a common, comprehensive, cooperative and sustainable security concept. The security concept has become an organic composition of the China overall national security concept, not only provides effective guidance for safeguarding national security and strengthening international security cooperation, but also contributes wisdom to maintaining world security and stability and promoting global security governance.

In addition, internationally Comrade Xi Jinping, based on cultural self-confidence, also actively promotes Chinese traditional culture such as "harmony is always precious, working together with one accord", letting the Chinese civilization essence provide new nutrients for global security governance.

Promote mechanisms building and improve multi-level global security governance mechanisms. A good job on mechanism construction is an important step in consolidating the cooperation experience and ensuring the smooth implementation of the concept construction. Comrade Xi Jinping actively promotes the construction of the international security mechanisms, having laid the foundation for improving the multi-level global security governance mechanisms.

One is to stabilize the cooperation framework among major countries. The major powers are the decisive force impacting world peace, and it is crucial to build a healthy and stable relationship framework among major countries for global security governance. China stresses its major country responsibilities, also advocates the establishment of new-type major countries relations on the basis of "non-conflict, non-confrontation, mutual respect, cooperation and all-win outcomes", strengthens the major powers strategic communication and cooperation, actively brings under control their differences, and promotes the realization of common security. President Xi Jinping meets with President Trump, which expands the Sino-U.S. high-level communication mechanism to 4 high-level dialogue mechanisms and provides a safeguard mechanism for the two countries to maintain strategic stability, to avoid misjudgments, to bring under control differences, and promote cooperation. In recent years, China-Russia strategic cooperative relationship has maintained a high level operation. China and the EU have established four major

partnerships, and the BRICS cooperation mechanisms and the Shanghai Cooperation Organization cooperation mechanisms have been deepened. In addition, China also actively participates in the negotiations on the Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action for the Iranian Nuclear Issue by the UN Security Council's five permanent members and Germany with Iran, made an important and unique contribution to this ultimate significant achievement by major countries cooperation, and promoted a establishment of a typical model to solve an international major hot issue through diplomatic negotiations since the cold war in the international community.

Two is to support the United Nations to play a core role in multilateral mechanisms. China attaches great importance to the role of the United Nations in the international security affairs, advocates giving full play to the core role of the United Nations and Its Security Council in international security affairs, and resolving a conflict on dual track simultaneously of the peaceful settlement of disputes and a coercive action. China actively establishes a responsible major country image, advocates and practices multilateralism, takes more international responsibilities and obligations within its capacity, and supports the United Nations to play an active role in international security by providing humanitarian assistance, joining the UN peacekeeping force, peacekeeping mechanism and establishing corresponding initiatives.

Three is to build networks of partnerships across the entire world. From having put forward the Belt and Road Initiative by Comrade Xi Jinping in 2013 to having hosted Belt and Road Forum for International Cooperation in China, the Belt and Road construction has achieved bumper harvest. More than 100 countries and international organizations actively support and participate in the world over, all parties involved have their

policy communications deepened, facilities interconnectivity continuously strengthened, trade connectivity constantly upgraded, financing interconnectivity expanded, and the people-to-people interconnectivity constantly increased. "The Belt and Road" has become international public goods for various parties involved to actively participate. Meanwhile, China puts stress on a peripheral diplomatic concept featuring amity, sincerity, benefits and inclusiveness, further promotes construction of a community of shared future in surrounding areas. With the premise of adhering to the non-aligned principle to make friends, China has established partnerships with more than 80 countries and international organizations. China emphasizes equality, peacefulness and inclusiveness of the partnerships, no distinction between principal and subordinate, and between different camps, no imaginary enemy and no targeting at a third party, which sets an example for global security governance.

Four is to strengthen regional security co operation. China attaches importance to the establishment and improvement of regional security cooperation mechanisms, and actively promotes the Shanghai Cooperation Organization to advance the Organization spirit featuring mutual trust, mutual benefit, equality and consultation, respecting diverse civilizations and seeking common development. Comrade Xi Jinping, at the CICA summit in Shanghai in 2014, advocated Asian security approach characterizing extensive consultation, joint contribution and shared benefits. China also gives attention to the building of regional cooperation mechanisms such as the East Asia Summit, the ASEAN Regional Forum and others, advocating development of Asian way of mutual respect, consultation for consensus and taking care of comforts for all, and builds a security governance model with Asian characteristics.

Improve relevant international rules and

promote the rule of law for global security governance. "Nothing can be accomplished without norms and standards", international rules are an important part of global governance. In this regard, Comrade Xi Jinping advocates openness and inclusiveness, opposes "unilateral domination" or "several parties co-governance", and advocates that "the destiny of the world should be commanded by all countries, and the international rules should be worked out by all countries.

For the existing relevant international rules, China advocates strengthening compliance of the relevant provisions. "All countries have the responsibility to safeguard the authority of international law, to exercise their rights legitimately and fulfill their obligations in good faith", "should ensure equal and uniform application of international law, not engage in double standards, or comply if beneficial and abandon if unfavorable, "keep truly impartial".

Comrade Xi Jinping stresses the increasing participation in the rules-making in emerging domains of the Internet, the polar regions, the deep seas, outer space and nuclear security, etc.. In 2014 at the Hague Summit, for the first time, he put forward a rational, coordinated and progressive nuclear security concept. In 2016 at the Summit in Washington, D.C., he advocated the establishment of an international nuclear security system featured by fairness, cooperation and all-win outcomes, and building a community of nuclear security shared future.

In January this year, at the United Nations headquarters in Geneva, he advocated the complete prohibition and eventual complete destruction of nuclear weapons to achieve a nuclear weapon-free world; upholding the principles of peace, sovereignty, universality and collective governance, and building the deep seas, the polar regions, the outer space and the Internet into new domains of

cooperation rather than arenas competing with each other.

In March this year, China released "International Strategy of Cooperation on Cyberspace", having implemented the important thinking of Comrade Xi Jinping's on the construction of cyberspace community of shared future and the proposed "Four Principles" and "Five Points" for global Internet development and governance, proposed China's ideas to promote relevant exchanges and cooperation, contributed China's program to solve the problems for global cyberspace governance, and won extensive support of international community.

In addition, China in practice, on the one hand, firmly holds the central task of development and provides a fundamental policy for global security governance. On the other hand, it advocates the comprehensive application of political, military, cultural, educational, scientific and technological, sanitary, ecological means and others, so as to pursue the growing effects of security governance. This is also the application of the overall national security concept from the international perspective and has positive significance for promoting international security governance.

The new concept, new thought and new strategy of national governance play an active role in promoting global security governance and shaping the international security order

Promoting global security governance is an important manifestation of world significance of the new concept, new thought and new strategy for national governance of contemporary China. Facing those major issues of contemporary China and today's world, through the integrated application of strategic thinking, dialectical thinking, systematic thinking, historical thinking and the

bottom-line thinking, having made comprehensive analysis of global security governance system from the perspectives of history, development, culture and values, the new concept, new thought and new strategy improve the global security governance system through establishing a new concept, building new mechanism, cultivating new driver, developing new rules, promoting new practice, thus, all-dimensionally enriching the content of global security governance. This fully reflects comrade Xi Jinping's theoretical vision and innovation spirit in grasping the basic framework and development direction of the global security governance system, and the great practice of promoting the Chinese active integration and actively guiding the global security governance, thus having enriched the

theoretical achievements of Sinicization of Marxism.

It would not only make important contributions to the promotion of global security governance, but also bear a positive impact on shaping the international security order. At present, the international security order is still in transition from a confrontational security order under the bipolar pattern to a coordinated security order under the multi-polarization pattern. The new concept, new thought and new strategy for national governance will contribute to the smooth realization of the transition.

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by building a comprehensively moderate prosperous society in all respects, comrade Xi Jinping in his recommendations made on the CPCCC-proposed 13th Five-Year Plan comes up with 6.5% annual economic growth as the bottom line. To establish this bottom line is to delineate reasonable space for the national economic development and to strengthen the strategic stability so that we can firmly command the development initiative.

Discipline and standards are the bottom line requirements for the Party members and cadres to conduct their duty. Only by adhering to the bottom line thinking, strictly complying with the political discipline, can we keep the Party's progressiveness and purity, and give full play to the Party's political advantage. The Sixth Plenary Session of the 18th CPCCC stresses that the Party is a Marx political party, and stricter governance of the Party reflects its

character. Historical experience has repeatedly demonstrated whenever the Party governs itself strictly, the Party gets stronger and more powerful, and becomes victorious from victory to victory; otherwise, it becomes weak, lax and lost. In the process of comprehensive and stricter governance of the Party, on the one hand we strengthen the Party rules consciousness, and the bottom line awareness, and set up the system red line; on the other hand, carry out anti-corruption struggle in a high pressure profile, and strike the ideological alarm with strict punishment. The CPCCC has adopted a series of rules and regulations governing the Party members and cadres in political life and daily work, providing institutional safeguards for the Party to govern the country better under the new situation.

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The New Concept, New Thought and New Strategy for National Governance Highlight Scientific Thinking

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Since the 18th National Congress of the CPC, Comrade Xi Jinping pools the wisdom of the Communist Party of China (Party for short), focusing on the overall issues, core issues, and key issues under the new situation of upholding and developing socialism with Chinese characteristics, has made a series of important speeches, proposed a complete set of strategy for national governing, thus, having formulated the new concept, new thought and new strategy for national governance. Comrade Xi Jinping's series of important speeches and the new concept are based on the rigorous scientific methodology approach, highlight the Marxist scientific thinking, and provide a basic criteria for the Party to effectively govern the country under the new situation.

Commanding the overall situation with strategic thinking

In line with Marxism, the relationship between the internal factors and the external factors are interrelated, restricted and influenced each other. The Marxist thought on universal connection between matters provides us a strategic and systematic way of thinking. Comrade Xi Jinping profoundly commands the Party's national governance system, comprehensiveness and complexity under the new situation, scientifically applies Marxist strategic thinking, stresses a series of fundamental issues related to the Party's national governance effectiveness such as in-depth explanations on the relationship

between the five major constructions, and the relationship between the long-term objectives and periodical development goals, and the relationship between a part and the whole.

From the strategic and systematic perspectives, economic construction, political construction, cultural construction, social construction, and ecological civilization construction are an organic part of the national governance, which are closely linked to each other, and complement each other, but there are also existing tensions and contradictions; if one factor is overemphasized or is advanced individually, which is easy to cause an imbalance between economic development and social development and reduce the effects of national governance. In order to promote the comprehensive, coordinated and sustainable economic and social development in China, the Report to the 18th CPC National Congress established for the socialist construction with Chinese characteristics the "five in one" overall layout. In order to co-ordinate this overall layout, comrade Xi Jinping stresses that any current major reform program is affecting the whole, which also needs more comprehensive considerations, and more coordinate advance. Since the 18th National Congress, the Party puts forward and promotes coordinately comprehensively building a moderate prosperous society in all respects, comprehensively deepening reform, comprehensively governing the country with rule of law, and strictly and comprehensively

governing the Party, thus formulating the "four comprehensives" strategic layout, clarifying the strategic focus and strategic task to promote the overall coordinate development of the "five in one" overall layout under the new situation, and the "comprehensives" have become keywords repeatedly stressed by the Party's national governance. This means the national governance in the new period is no longer simple pursuit of reaching a single goal, but taking into overall consideration the internal links between the various factors, and seeking synergy in various fields.

Based upon the current reality and from long-term perspective is a prominent feature of strategic thinking. In national governance, we should deal with the relationship between the long-term goals and the phased development goals. We should strive for the long-term goals unswervingly and meanwhile establish feasible goals. To achieve national prosperity and strength, national rejuvenation and people's happiness and to attain the great rejuvenation of the Chinese nation are the long-term goals of the Party's governing the country. Comrade Xi Jinping clearly points out that people's yearning for a better life is the Party's goal and our responsibility is to unite and lead the whole Party and the people of all ethnic groups, take over the baton of history, and continuously strive to achieve the great rejuvenation of the Chinese nation. Meantime, he, in accordance with the periodical characteristics of the present stage of China's economic and social development, also identifies better education, more stable work, more satisfied income, more reliable social security, higher levels of health care services, more comfortable living conditions and more beautiful environment, and children growing healthier, working happier and living better as the realistic goals for the Party to achieve in the current period. Comprehensively building a well-off society in all respects is a concentrated expression of

these phased development goals.

The relationship between a part and the whole is also an important point of strategic thinking. The new concept, new thought and new strategy of governing the country profoundly commands the relationship between a part and the whole, takes problems as the guidance, and the short board development as the breakthrough point, and aims at optimizing the whole situation with solution to the key problems. On the path of building a well-off society in all respects, there still exist such prominent short-board aspects such as poverty alleviation and environmental protection. Comrade Xi Jinping attaches great importance to complement of these short-board in economic and social development. He stresses, "we can not announce the completion of comprehensively building a moderately prosperous society in all respects, while there are still tens of millions people living under poverty line, which not only affects the people's satisfaction of and also influences the international community's recognition of our country comprehensively building a moderately prosperous society in all respects." To make up for the short board development as an important starting point, and to promote development of the whole society with advance models are the scientific application and development of Marxist strategic thinking in modern China.

Take historical thinking as a link between the past and the future

History is the best textbook. Historical thinking is indispensable to the Party's effective administration. Comrade Xi Jinping points out, to attach importance to history, study history and learn from history can bring out vast wisdom for mankind to understand yesterday, seize today, and create for tomorrow. The Party running the country should both face the present and the future, and inherit from the

history so as to keep writing a new chapter in history.

The new concept, new thought and new strategy of governing the country are deeply rooted in the rich soil of the fine traditional culture of China, and profoundly reflect the dialectical unity between tradition and modernity, and between history and reality. Take the socialist core values as an example, its main contents have inherited and extended the fine traditional culture and traditional virtues of China. As Comrade Xi Jinping points out: prosperity, democracy, civilization, harmony, freedom, equality, justice, rule of law, patriotism, dedication, sincerity, amity inherit the Chinese fine traditional culture gene, carry the ideal and belief established in the modern times by the Chinese people's explorations from down to bottom and after having experienced numerous twists and turns, and also bear everyone's beautiful expectation for the future. He further stresses, among the Chinese fine cultural traditions, the moral ideal and the ethical requirements such as making inquiries is to attain knowledge, sincerity can help straighten up one's mind, self-cultivation can help upgrade a family, and ruling a country well can help build a peaceful world, etc., which from the personal, social and national perspectives are our important cultural support to nurture and practice the socialist core values. Comrade Xi Jinping on many occasions organically integrates China's traditional political ideas into governing the country and gives the traditional governing wisdom the new connotation of the times.

The historical thinking of the new concept, new thought and new strategy of governing the country is essentially reflecting the respect for the past, facing up the reality and focusing on the future. Nations and nation-states must know who they are, where they come from, and where they go, and as the mind is set right, they must unswervingly move towards the set goals.

History is the best teacher, which faithfully records the footsteps of every country, and it also provides inspiration and enlightenments for its future development. To get deceived from China's history, divorced from China's culture, divorced from the spiritual world of the Chinese people and divorced from the profound changes in contemporary China is difficult to correctly understand China. The most important reality in contemporary China is to realize the "two centennial" goals. To this end, we need to correctly understand the history and culture of the Chinese nation, and constantly enhance cultural self-confidence and strategic concentration. As Comrade Xi Jinping points out: Standing on the vast land of 9.60 million square kilometers, sucking cultural nutrients accumulated in the long-term struggles of the Chinese nation, and supported by the majestic force polymerized by 1.3 billion people of China, we can go our own way with a very broad stage, unprecedented historical heritage, and a very strong forward-moving impetus.

Transforming contradictions with dialectical thinking

Comrade Xi Jinping points out that the ability of dialectical thinking is to recognize contradictions, analyze contradictions, and solve contradictions, and is good at grasping the key-links, identifying the key points, and understanding the development law of matters and things. This points out the two basic aspects of dialectical thinking, namely, the "two points theory" and "focus theory". The new concept, new thought and new strategy of governing the country, in Marxist dialectical materialism, analyze various relations in the Party and Government development process, and through grasping and transforming the main contradictions to promote improvement of the national governance system and upgrade governance capacity.

After 30-year rapid development by

reform and opening up, China has become the world's second largest economy. Some Southeast Asian countries and Latin American countries fall into the "middle-income trap" after a certain stage of the rapid economic development, so economic stagnation, political instability and social disorder have emerged. In order to avoid this situation happening, the key lies in the use of dialectical thinking to firmly grasp and effectively solve the major contradictions in economic and social development. In this regard, the new concept, new thought, and new strategy of the national governance gives a clear answer. "The CPC Central Committee's Proposal for Making the 13th Five-year Plan on National Economic and Social Development" objectively accesses achievements of China's economic development and the basic sound long-term trend, and also lists prominent problems and contradictions in aspects of the production mode, regional development, income distribution, public service, legal construction, and concludes that a fundamental way to solve the main contradictions is focusing on economic construction, proceeding from reality, grasping the new features of development, intensifying structural reforms, accelerating the transformation of economic development mode, and realizing more efficient, more equitable, and more sustainable development with higher quality. This captures the essentials of the Party governing the country under the new situation. From the perspective of international relations, the in-depth development of economic globalization has not only made international exchanges more and more frequent, and international contacts closer and closer, but also brought more and more common problems and challenges to humankind. From climate control to economic crisis prevention to poverty eradication, all of which need the international community to work together. If every country just pursues its own interests to the neglect of

the interests of other countries and the common interests of mankind, which can hardly respond effectively to the common challenges the human society faces, but will intensify the contradictions, and even trigger conflict and war among countries. The new concept, new thought and new strategy for the national governance with dialectical thinking co-ordinates the overall domestic situation and overall international situation, puts forward the magnificent concept of building a human community of shared future, thus, providing a new perspective and thinking for promoting the common development of human society.

Leading development with innovative thinking

Currently, the domestic and overseas environment is undergoing profound changes, and China's socialist modernization drive is facing a series of new problems and challenges. In the new situation, only those innovators are making progress, becoming stronger and, remaining successful. The new concept, new thought and new strategy for the national governance positions innovation in the core of country's overall development, continuously pushes innovation in all aspects such as theory innovation, institutional innovation, technological innovation, cultural innovation, hence, having opened up a new realm of the Party governing the country.

From the perspective of economic construction, the Party has come up with the innovative theories such as the new normal of economic development and the supply-side structural reform, and vigorously promoted the transforming and upgrading of the economic structure, accelerated the national economic transformation from the element-driven and the investment scale-driven growth to the innovation-driven growth. From the perspectives of state governance and social governance, the "Decision" by the Third

Plenary Session of the 18th CPC Central Committee proposes comprehensive deepening reform and promoting national governance systems and governance capacity modernization, aiming to improve and develop the socialist system with Chinese characteristics. The "Decision" by the Fourth Plenary Session of the 18th CPC Central Committee puts forward a innovative statement of comprehensive ruling the country with law and makes systematic arrangements. From the perspective of cultural construction, the Party, around building a socialist culturally strong country, puts forward a series of innovative theories such as cultivating and practicing the socialist core values, building an innovative system of philosophy and social sciences, constructing modern public cultural service system, accelerating development of modern culture industry, building a modern media system, etc.. From the perspective of developing ecological civilization, the Party has established the innovative concept of green development, put forward "vigorously stepping toward socialist ecological civilization" and taken a series of innovative measures such as speeding up the construction of the main functional areas, promoting the economical and intensive utilization of resources, and improving the safeguards mechanism of ecological security and developing green industrial sectors.

In addition, implementing the strategy of a strong manufacturing country, vigorously developing newly emerging strategic industries, promoting the new-type urbanization, implementing the overall strategy for regional development, promoting the Belt and Road construction ... None of this series of strategic initiatives is not the product of innovative thinking, all of which highlights the core-driven force of innovation for China's reform and development under the new situation.

Command initiative with the bottom line thinking

Bottom line thinking is a foresight thinking with a sense of urgency. Comrade Xi Jinping repeatedly stresses: We should learn to be good at using the bottom line thinking, get prepared for the worst, and strive for the best, so as to get preparedness averting peril, and firmly command the initiative. The planning and arrangements of the new concept, new thought and new strategy for governing the country on a series of important issues concerning China's economic and social development planning, and comprehensive and stricter governance of the Party show the bottom line thinking.

The economic and social development has both regularity and certainty, meanwhile, is also affected by complicated and changing situations and factors, and risks and uncertainties are in existence. If there is lack of bottom line thinking and sense of urgency, and inadequate assessment of potential risks, it is easy to get a loss at what to do in the face of difficulties and challenges, and lose the initiative to develop as well. On planning economic and social development, the new concept, new thought and new strategy for governing the country reflect clearly problem-oriented and bottom line thinking. For example, the 13th Five-Year Plan not only fully confirms the great achievements of China's economic and social development in 12th Five-Year period, also objectively analyzes the risks and challenges, proposes to actively cope with a series of major risks and challenges such as the continuous impacts of the international financial crisis. Taking into overall consideration the potential of China's economic development, and the requirements of economic growth (Continued to page 37)

Firmly Establishing a Sense of Community of Shared Future for Mankind

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Socialism with Chinese characteristics is the socialism of peaceful development, and socialist cause with Chinese characteristics is the cause for all-win cooperation with all countries in the world. In order to co-ordinate both the domestic and international overall situations, both peace and development issues, promote mutually benefit and all-win outcomes and the sound interaction between the Chinese dream and the world dream, General Secretary Xi Jinping puts forward the important thinking of building a community of shared future for mankind, having raised the understanding of establishment of a new international order to a new realm, pioneered the new journey of a major country diplomacy with the Chinese characteristics, and written a new chapter for the Belt and Road construction.

To establish a sense of community of shared future for mankind is an inevitable requirement conforming to the historical mega-trend of human society

Mega-age requires mega-architecture, mega-architecture requires mega-wisdom. In today world of an important period of great development, change and adjustment, the concept of putting forward and advocating a community of shared future for mankind conforms to the realistic requirements of the era development and the inevitable trend of historical development.

To establish the sense of a community of shared future for mankind is an inevitable

choice conforming to the development trend of today's world. With deepening development of economic globalization, the global overall correlation gets increasingly close, the interests and future of various countries and regions have never been so closely linked, forming a pattern of rising together and falling together. The solutions to a series of major international issues are no longer dependent solely on bilateral cooperation and exchanges, but more on multilateral coordination and communication. As General Secretary Xi Jinping says that in this world, interconnectivity and interdependence of various countries are unprecedentedly deepened, the human race lives in the same village of Mother Earth, and in the same time and space intersection of history and reality, and increasingly becomes a community of shared future. This proposed concept of community of shared future for mankind conforms to the era trend of peace, development, cooperation and all-win situation in the world today, and fits into the common aspirations of all countries to seek peace, development and cooperation.

The sense to establish the community of shared future for mankind is an inevitable conclusion to sum up the development experience and lessons of world history. Since the 20th Century, human beings have achieved amazing development and great progress, also experienced brutal hot wars and the cold war, the disaster and the harm caused by the two

world wars are not far away. The historical experience tells us that prejudice and discrimination as well as hatred and war can only bring about untold disasters and sufferings. Only mutual respect, equal treatment to each other and common development are the only right choice for mankind to bid farewell to pain and to march toward a brighter future. Although peace and development have become the themes of the times, the world is not peaceful, and the "sword of Damocles" is still hanging above the human kind. "For peace, we must firmly establish the sense of a community of shared future for mankind." With a new concept of a community of shared future for mankind, to seek wisdom and nourishment from different civilizations as well as to solve all kinds of problems and challenges facing humanity is a profound inspiration and enlightenment of development of world history in nearly a hundred years.

To establish the sense of community of shared future for mankind is an inevitable choice to inherit and carry forward the fine traditional culture of China. One of the important reasons why the Chinese traditional culture has been lasting and handed down from generation to generation is that it is a culture that advocates equal exchanges, peaceful coexistence and mutual cooperation. The Chinese nation always cherishes peace, adheres to the diplomatic exchanges that "a strong should not oppress a weak, many should not prey few, a rich should not bully a poor", advocates "maintaining righteousness for the world" "keeping harmony with all nations", advances "big seas taking water from all rivers," promotes "doing not unto others as you would not have them do unto you", upholds "maintaining harmony with neighbors" and "harmony without sameness", yearns for "peaceful coexistence among various countries". General Secretary Xi Jinping points out: For thousands of years, peace has been integrated

into the blood of the Chinese nation and carved into the genes of the Chinese people." The consciousness of the sense of community of shared future for mankind originates from the historical tradition and cultural gene of pursuing peaceful cooperation.

The key to establishing the sense of a community of shared future for mankind is to take action

A grandeur idea requires great practice. To establish a sense of a community of shared future for mankind, understanding is the prerequisite, but the key is to take action. The international community should firmly move forward in a direction of partnership, architecture for security, economic development, cultural exchanges and ecological construction.

Politically, establish a partnership of equal treatment, mutual understanding and mutual consultation. All countries, big or small, strong or weak, rich or poor, are equal members of the international community. Those major countries should treat small ones as equals and adhere to non-conflict and non-confrontation, as well as mutual respect and all-win cooperation among them. It is normal for various countries to have conflicts, differences and disputes. We should initiate a dialogue to resolve disputes and resolve differences through consultation. Mutual negotiation and mutual understanding should be the basic method of modern international governance and pioneer a new way of communication between countries, featuring dialogue without confrontation, and partnership without alliance.

On security issues, build a fair and just security architecture with joint contribution and shared benefits. Nowadays, human kind is faced with many difficulties and challenges. The traditional security threats, non-traditional security threats and global challenges are intertwined, so that the security of various

countries is interrelated and influenced each other. No country can achieve its own absolute security by virtue of its own power, nor any country can reap its own harmony and stability from the turmoil of other countries. All countries should work together to cope with all kinds of problems and challenges, change the crisis into vitality, pioneer a new path for security featuring joint contribution, shared benefits, all-win outcomes and common protection, and build a world of universal security.

Economically, seek open, innovative, inclusive and mutually beneficial development prospects. The history of world economic development proves that opening up brings progress, and closure can only lead to backwardness. In order to solve the problems and challenges facing the world economy, we have to work hard to keep opening up and innovate growth modes. If returning to the outdated ways of shifting ones troubles onto others, there is no way to get rid of the current crisis and recession, on the contrary reduce the common space for the world economic development, lead to loss-loss situation. Global economic governance should follow the principle of openness and mutual benefit, so as to achieve the goal of all-win cooperation.

Culturally, promote cultural exchanges of harmony without sameness and mutual learning. Cultural diversity is the basic characteristic of human society. Different civilizations embody the wisdom and contribution of different nations, there should be no distinction between superiority and inferiority, but only between characteristics and between regions. Cultural differences should not be the root cause of world conflicts, and what civilizations need is dialogue instead of rejection, communication instead of substitution. Harmony without sameness is the basic spirit of dealing with different civilizations, and hatred and prejudice are the biggest obstacles to exchanges between

civilizations. We should respect all civilizations and promote exchanges and dialogue among civilizations, peaceful coexistence and harmonious symbiosis.

Ecologically, build an ecological system which respects nature and green development. The relationship between man and nature is the most basic relationship in human society. In this world of nature, we should not only stress "taking" instead of "protecting", "just using" instead of "constructing". Many countries in the world, including some developed countries, have gone through the old ways of "pollution first and governance later", so they created enormous material wealth, but also paid heavy environmental costs, and the lessons are very profound. Ecological prosperity leads to civilization vitality, while ecological destruction leads to decline of a civilization. The world should follow the harmony philosophy between man and nature, firmly establish awareness on respect for nature, adaptability with nature, and conservation of nature, advocate green, low-carbon, recycling, sustainable production and life styles, marching forward on the path to sustainable development for mankind

To establish a sense of community of shared future for mankind should guide economic globalization in the right direction

Currently, the economic globalization has entered a periodical adjustment, and there are those who support it, those who doubt it, and those who linger around. We can not stop taking steps for progress because of temporary difficulties and problems, neither can we reverse the history and engage in "de-globalization". To establish a sense of community of shared future for mankind, a pressing task now is to unswervingly push forward economic globalization in a more rational, inclusive and universal direction.

In order to build community awareness of

shared future for mankind, we must take a clear-cut stand against protectionism to shift troubles to neighbors. The current world economic recovery is still fragile, some national policies show strengthened inward-looking and exclusive tendency, and protectionism rears its head. History has proved that there is no way out for protectionism. In the economic globalization of today, protectionism to restrict activities and get benefits at the expense of others is not feasible. The right choice is to work together and develop together so as to push the process of economic globalization in more dynamic, inclusive and sustainable direction.

In order to build community awareness of shared future for mankind, we must unequivocally oppose the zero-sum game that you lose and I win. In international community, some people regard the returns of economic globalization as a zero-sum game and think that the gains of other countries are the losses of their own countries and the growth of other countries is the decline of their own countries. The result of this narrow understanding must be to abandon cooperation, deny economic globalization, and even build a barrier to communication with the outside world. This idea of seeking only national development interests without regard to other countries' legitimate concerns and attempting to remain immune is divorced from reality. Only by adhering to cooperation and all-win outcomes, can we get rid of the old thinking of zero-sum game.

In order to build community awareness of shared future for mankind, we must unequivocally oppose unilateralist approach. The sovereignty system with the United Nations as the core is an important achievement of human political civilization after World War II, but there are also some unfair and irrational arrangements. In this regard, reforms should be

carried out so as to improve them rather than reinvent them. We should uphold multilateralism, safeguard the authority and effectiveness of the multilateral system, and resolve differences and contradictions through dialogue and consultation, so as to push forward the international order in a more just and rational orientation.

In order to build community awareness of shared future for mankind, we must unequivocally oppose the Cold War mentality of forming alliance for confrontation. The Cold War that we experienced in the last century had brought great damage and pain to mankind. In today's world, some people enter the 21st century on their legs while their heads remain in the old framework of Cold War thinking. In reality, the old international political models such as the confrontational military alliance, the sphere of influence, the agents and the protectorates, etc. still have certain market. To build community awareness of shared future for mankind, we cannot engage in close and exclusive arrangements, nor draw the demarcation simply with the social system, ideology and values. Nobody should have its own path of development as a statue, nor impose the national path of development onto others.

General Secretary Xi Jinping points out: the relationship between various countries has never been so close, the world people's yearning for a better life has never been as strong as it is today, the means of mankind to overcome difficulties have never been so rich. As long as the international community has joined hands and firmly established community awareness of shared future for mankind, it will surely make the world a better place and people happier .

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