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REMARKS

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AT THE OCASSION THAT MARKS THE
ESTABLISHMENT OF SISTER PROVINCE
RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN OSHANA
REGION OF THE REPUBLIC OF NAMIBIA
AND JIANGXI PROVINCE OF THE PEOPLE'S
REPUBLIC OF CHINA FROM 8-11
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At the outset, I wish to take this opportunity to thank the leadership of Jiangxi Province of the People’s Republic of China for the cordial invitation extended to the leadership of Oshana Region of the Republic of Namibia to enter into a Sisterly Cooperation in the Socio-economic and cultural fields between Jiangxi Province and Oshana Region.

I would also like to thank the leadership of Jiangxi Province in particular and the people of China in general for the warm reception and hospitality extended to our Namibian delegation since our arrival in China.

Director of Ceremonies,

The aim of our visit is to initiate, foster and establish Bilateral Economic Cooperation between Jiangxi Province and Oshana Region, one of the most densely populated region in Namibia with a population of 176,647 people, where in the foreseeable future we envisage Ongwediva, Oshakati and Ondangwa Town Authorities to enter into Twinning Agreements with various towns in
Jiangxi Province. These three Local Authorities may exchange and cooperate in a number of critical areas, such as infrastructural development, human resources, good governance, information communication technology, to mention but a few.

Director of Ceremonies,

During the familiarization visit by the Namibian delegation to Jiangxi Province, we hope to explore more future markets with our counterparts in Jiangxi Province, especially with the level of development in terms of manufacturing industries, agro-economic industries, tourism or better utilization of the environment.

Director of Ceremonies,

Manufacturing technologies are important for us in order to break the dependency syndrome of importing commodities from other countries. We in Oshana Region have pledged to utilize our untapped resources available to manufacture essential
commodities for export because manufacturing leads to industrial development that is essential for job creation.

Director of Ceremonies,

Oshana Region has suitable and affordable land available in Ongwediva, Oshakati, Ondangwa and outlying areas for industrial development. We are strategically located between the four most populous regions in Namibia with a purchasing power of over one million people, namely, Kunene, Omusati, Ohangwena and Oshikoto.

We are also linked to neighbouring Angola with a good roads infrastructure. It is therefore our wish, Hon Premier of Jiangxi Province, that Chinese investors from Jiangxi Province will explore the possibility of investing in our region, especially in the areas of tourism, manufacturing and light industries and enter into joint-ventures with Namibian business men and women.
Finally, I wish to once again extend our thanks and appreciation to the leadership of Jiangxi Province for honouring us with your invitation to visit your highly developed Province. I wish you and the Chinese people fraternal greetings from His Excellency the President of the Republic of Namibia, Dr Hage Geingob and the entire leadership of Oshana Region. Indeed, we wish you success in the development of Jiangxi Province towards a prosperous future.

I THANK YOU!