

Remarks by Ambassador Wu Wei Upon Arrival at the Pohnpei International Airport

Friends from all walks of life, overseas Chinese in the Federated States of Micronesia, kaselehlie!

Thank you all for your warm welcome. As soon as I stepped off the plane, I felt the kindness and hospitality of the FSM people, and the traditional friendship which is deeply rooted in the hearts of both peoples.

Last month, H.E. President Xi Jinping sent a congratulatory message to H.E. President Wesley W. Simina on his assuming office as president of the FSM, which has charted the course for promoting the continuous development of the China- FSM Comprehensive Strategic Partnership and bringing more benefits to the two peoples.

At this important moment of building on past achievement and opening up the future, I am deeply honored to serve as the Chinese Ambassador to the FSM with great responsibility and glorious mission in mind. I will earnestly and fully implement the important instructions of H.E. President Xi Jinping, and work closely with the FSM side to steadily deepen political mutual trust, further strengthen communication and coordination, so as to press ahead with the steady and sustained development of the bilateral relations.

Since the establishment of diplomatic ties between China and the FSM 34 years ago, the bilateral relations have been advanced constantly on the basis of upholding the one-China principle. The two countries have been standing together through thick and thin and helping each other in jointly overcoming risks and challenges such as Covid-19 pandemic.

The friendship between China and the FSM has emerged much stronger as time goes by. China cherishes peace and development and values friends and partners as we have always done. China will continue to be committed to its foreign policy goals of safeguarding world peace and promoting common development, adhere to the principles of mutual respect, equal treatment, win-win cooperation, openness and inclusiveness, uphold the principles of sincerity, real results, affinity and good faith and with commitment to the greater good and shared interests in developing friendly relations with Pacific Island Countries including the FSM, and unceasingly advance the continuous building of a closer China-Pacific Island Countries community with a shared future.

I will spare no effort to work with friends from all sectors in the FSM to cement the political foundation of bilateral relations, improve the quality and efficiency of our practical cooperation, empower people-to-people exchanges and forge a stronger bond between peoples, carry forward traditional friendship and advance the cause of friendship, and jointly write a new chapter to the development of China-FSM Comprehensive Strategic Partnership.

The Embassy of the People's Republic of China is the home of all the compatriots in the FSM. My colleagues and I will continue to make relentless efforts to provide excellent consular services for Chinese citizens, institutions and enterprises in the FSM, and create an enabling environment for bilateral cooperation.

I hope that everyone leads a prosperous and flourishing life in the FSM, and make new and greater contributions to our friendship and practical cooperation.

Kalanan. Thank you and Xie Xie.