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It is my great pleasure to join the discussion on the development of a “National Center for Climate Strategy and International Cooperation of China.” I would like to share with you four opinions on this issue:

First, I appreciate very much China’s initiative to develop its N-C-S-C. As the second largest economy and the largest emitter of greenhouse gas in the world, China plays a very important role in the global climate change regime. The conference of parties – including both developed and developing countries – are watching China’s performance, actions and initiatives in combating climate change. The development and operation of the N-C-S-C will effectively demonstrate China’s effort to become a model country among the UNFCCC parties. I believe that the N-C-S-C will help deploy and transfer advanced clean-energy technologies from China and Annex I parties to other non-Annex I parties, particularly to LCDs. I believe that the successful establishment of the N-C-S-C is a great contribution to the technology mechanism which parties agreed to establish in Cancun.

Second, the N-C-S-C fits the GEF’s long-term goal for the Poznan strategic program on technology transfer. The GEF strategy entails increasing investment in environmentally sound technologies in developing countries and to enhancing technology transfer activities under the Convention. The GEF would finance the

N-C-S-C and operate it jointly to catalyze south-to-south cooperation and global technology transfer.

Third, the NCSC will greatly facilitate Technology Needs Assessment (TNA) and the implementation of results. T-N-A is a country-driven activity to assist in identifying and analyzing the priority technology needs for mitigating and adapting to climate change, particularly in developing countries. China has been conducting a large-scale assessment with the World Bank. It has developed its own methodology unique among the large developing countries. The Chinese N-C-S-C will serve as a platform to share its TNA methodologies and practices with other developing parties.

Finally, it is certain that our climate is changing, and we must act now to help the most vulnerable adapt to the inevitable changes. Timely inclusion of adaptation activities through the N-C-S-C is critical. The N-C-S-C could provide an avenue through which practical lessons learned in some developing countries through SCCF interventions could be shared widely and effectively in others, so that development efforts in all vulnerable countries would be more informed of climate risks and solutions. We strongly believe this partnership will help build capacities in developing countries to access the available financial and technological resources for climate resilient development.

Thank you very much for your attention.