



**NORODOM SIHAMONI**  
**KING of CAMBODIA**

to

*His Excellency Mr. Xi Jinping*  
*PRESIDENT of the People's Republic of China*

*Excellency,*

*On the joyful occasion of the 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Establishment of Diplomatic Relations between the Kingdom of Cambodia and the People's Republic of China, I have a great pleasure to extend warmest congratulations to Your Excellency and, through you, to the friendly people of China.*

*Notwithstanding the official milestone of 1958 of diplomatic ties, our two peoples have had cordial interactions dating back hundreds of years ago. Despite the test time and numerous challenges faced by both Cambodia and China, our two nations continue to nurture relations of close friendship which have presently been elevated to the level of comprehensive strategic partnership of cooperation.*

*I note with great satisfaction the growing political trust and official exchanges at all levels between our two countries, and highly appreciate the cordial hospitality accorded to me and our Queen-mother everytime we visit China. Cambodia steadfastly adheres to One China Policy, while China wholeheartedly supports Cambodia's choice of development path. People-to-people, cultural, trade and economic exchanges have also been very vibrant. Both countries work shoulder to shoulder to serve our common interests and contribute to peace, stability and shared prosperity in and beyond the region.*

*I wish to take this opportunity to applaud the remarkable achievements of China which have been transcended from a rapid growth phase to an advancing stage of high-quality development through innovation-driven and green growth, thanks to Your Excellency's wise and farsighted leadership. As the second biggest economy in the world, China has been playing increasingly important role in the global economy and development, from which Cambodia has benefitted substantially along with others.*

*The celebration of the Diamond Jubilee of our diplomatic relations this year will certainly consolidate brotherly bonds between our peoples and further deepen comprehensive strategic partnership of cooperation between our countries.*

*Please accept, Your Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration and best wishes for your good health and continued success in fulfilling your noble tasks.*

**NORODOM SIHAMONI**

*Phnom Penh, June 22 , 2018*