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Beijing, China

Dear Prof. Chunli Bai,

It is a great pleasure to learn that Chinese Academy of Sciences (CAS) has completed 60 years of its Membership. I, on behalf of the President Pakistan Academy of Sciences, all its Fellows and on my own behalf, extend hearties congratulations to the President of CAS, its Council Members and all the scientists associated with CAS, on this wonderful and memorable occasion.

No doubt, the Chinese Academy of Sciences has played a great role in the Scientific and Technological development of the Peoples Republic of China. This is mainly due to the selfless and dedicated contribution of the Scientists working in CAS and its technical Institutes & Universities. The high ranking of CAS in the world of science is indicative of the untiring efforts of the Chinese Scientists.

China and Pakistan have had a deep and long lasting friendship since the very creation of Pakistan. This friendship is evident from the constant support that China has rendered to Pakistan both economically and politically. On the economic front we have seen a large number of projects launched by China in Pakistan.

The Pakistan Academy of Sciences (PAS) and the Chinese Academy of Sciences (CAS) have long S&T collaboration. Several Bi-national Workshops have been organized by the two Academies in each other country under the MoU signed in March 2000. The visit of Professor Chunli Bai, President Chinese Academy of Sciences along with a 15 member team of top scientists to Pakistan on PAS invitation in 2012, represents a major new chapter of cooperation between the two countries in science & technology. China and Pakistan need to develop strong collaborative programs in basic and applied sciences so that we can march together on the path of developing a knowledge economy.

I am sure PAS and CAS will further strengthen its S&T cooperation and expand its bilateral activities with the passage of time.

With best regards

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