## Remarks by H.E. Amb. LI Song on the 25th Anniversary Ceremony of the G77 Vienna Chapter

Mr. President,

Dear colleagues,

I would like to take this opportunity to express sincere congratulation to the 25th anniversary of the G77 Vienna Chapter.

G77 is a united front formed by developing counties to realize unity and self-improvement, an important force to maintain common interests of developing countries and improve global governance system, and also a pillar to safeguard multilateralism. Since its inception 25 years ago, the G77 Vienna Chapter has actively participated in the multilateral affairs in Vienna, carried out tremendous amount of fruitful work in such fields as industrial development, peaceful uses of nuclear energy and outer space, arms control and disarmament, drug control, countering crime and fighting corruption, and played a critical role in safeguarding the common interests of the developing countries.

China is the closest friend and strategic partner of G77. We treasure the G77+China collaboration mechanism, and will firmly stand with G77 as always. China, particularly at the current time when the world landscape has been undergoing unprecedented changes, has made and will continue to make active contributions to fostering a new type of international relations and building the community of a shared future for mankind by continuing to expand the cooperation and coordination with G77 and practice true multilateralism.

In recent years, with its ever-growing multilateral agenda, Vienna has become a more and more important arena for global governance. Focusing on the important agendas ahead of us in the coming months and years, China, for its part, will continue to provide full support for G77 in its relentless efforts to increase international discourse right and influence of developing countries.

Mr. President, dear colleagues,

True friendship can withstand the difficult times. China is profoundly proud to be a member of the big family of developing countries. No matter whether in Vienna, or in New York or Geneva, or anywhere else in the world, China will continue to strengthen and deepen its collaboration with G77 in joint efforts to safeguard true multilateralism, face up to the common challenges and uphold our collective interests.

Thank you.