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Statement by China

Your Excellency Secretary-General António Guterres,

Undersecretary-General Jean-Pierre Lacroix,

At the historical juncture where drastic changes and a pandemic both unseen in a century are intertwined, and security challenges are unprecedented, the third United Nations Chiefs of Police Summit (UNCOPS) is highly relevant and significant to optimize national peacekeeping police resources, jointly safeguard international security and address cross-border threats, and give full play to inclusive multilateralism. On behalf of the Chinese government, I would like to express our appreciation and congratulations on the successful convening of the summit.

In April this year, Chinese President Xi Jinping put forward the Global Security Initiative, calling on all countries to stay committed to the vision of common, comprehensive, cooperative and sustainable security. The Initiative is highly consistent with the UN 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and Action for Peacekeeping Initiative of Secretary-General Guterres, and provides a new path for eliminating the deficit in peace and solving the dilemma of global governance.

China firmly upholds the international system with the United Nations at its core and the basic norms governing international relations underpinned by the purposes and principles of the UN Charter. We have fully implemented the solemn commitments made by President Xi Jinping at the UN Peacekeeping Summit in 2015,

actively participated in UN peacekeeping operations, successfully trained more than 1,000 peacekeeping police officers from different countries in five years, sent training teams to assist Liberia, Central African Republic and other countries in their law enforcement capacity building, and get prepared for deploying Formed Police Unit to Abyei. In addition, we successfully held the International Workshop on Peacekeeping Police, and fully funded this summit.

In the face of new situation and new challenges of peacekeeping policing, China will firmly implement the Global Security Initiative, continue to hold high the banner of "cooperation, innovation, rule of law and win-win results", support the Action for Peacekeeping Initiative, and give full play to its due role as a permanent member of the Security Council. In this regard, I wish to make four proposals:

First, strengthen cooperation and make joint contribution. All parties concerned should be clear that we are a community in which all countries share a common stake, focus on joint efforts to ensure the security of the Mission, make good use of Light Coordination Mechanism and other platforms, and forge more coordinated and closer partnerships. China is ready to play a more constructive role as a contributor of police, funds and capacity building, strengthen cooperation with the United Nations and all stakeholders, and dispatch more professionals, in particular female police officers to peacekeeping operations.

Second, stay committed to reform and innovation. We shall promote the reform and transformation of the United Nations Police, leverage full potential of information technology-enabled and intelligence-led policing, innovate and improve risk assessment and emergency response mechanisms, to create a new model of flexible, professional and modernized UN policing. China fully supports the reform and capacity-building of UN policing, and will actively carry out innovative practices in relevant fields.

Third, uphold the spirit of the rule of law. We shall adhere to the three basic principles of peacekeeping, accelerate the implementation of the Strategic Guidance Framework for International Policing and UN Police Training Architecture Programme, strictly follow the mandate and code of conduct to carry out

peacekeeping tasks, and improve the performance assessment and accountability system. China is willing to undertake research in cross-cutting issues of comprehensive rule of law in mission areas, undertake programmes such as peacekeeping leadership training, and share the philosophy and practice of China's rule of law.

Fourth, achieve mutual benefit and win-win results. All parties involved should adhere to equality, respect, mutual trust and complementarity. While effectively building up the capacities of PCCs, we shall help the mission areas to achieve self-sustaining development and lasting peace, which is supportive to the realization of the 2030 Agenda and achieve win-win results. China will continue to provide specialized training for PCCs, dispatch specialized police teams to UNMISS and other Missions, and enhance host states' self-generated capability to maintain stability.

Taking actions for peace is our shared vision. China is ready to join hands with all parties and work tirelessly to let the light of peace reach all corners of the world.

Thank you.