Remarks by the Ambassador 11th China International Exhibition on Police Equipment 11 May 2023

Honorable Mr.Xu GanLu,Vice Minister of Public Security and Director of National Immigration Administration,, Distinguished Guests, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Good Morning and Dajia Hao,

First of all, I would like to congratulate the Ministry of Public Security of China for successfully organizing the 11th edition of the China International Exhibition on Police Equipment. Thank you for the invitation to speak at this important event.

Since the opening of its first edition, the exhibition has effectively represented the highest level of China's police equipment industry and has become an important platform for the development and the promotion of international police exchanges and cooperation.

Ladies and Gentlemen,

Public security forms an important element of any government's governing structure. Pakistan's founding father Mr. Jinnah once said that the first duty of a government is to maintain law and order, so that life and property of the people are fully protected by the state.

In China, this function of public security is given high priority by the government. In this regard, the steady development of police technology and equipment has been the cornerstone of public security work. The Chinese police has over the years upgraded its equipment at an impressive pace with adopting latest technology and innovative methodologies, and effectively achieving the public security needs.

No wonder, China has been ranked among the top countries in terms of its safety ranking, with one of the lowest crime rates in the world.

Ladies and Gentlemen,

China and Pakistan share a unique bond of friendship which is marked by complete political trust and unflinching support for each other. Over more than seven

decades, this iron brotherhood has been nurtured by successive generations of leadership and people of the two countries.

With the passage of time, this friendship has only grown from strength to strength and transformed into an all-weather strategic partnership. The iron-clad friendship has gained increased significance in the evolving global and international milieu.

Ladies and Gentlemen,

Pakistan has also taken a number of measures for strengthening its public security governance, including training and capacity-building of our LEAs. We have faced many challenges including turbulence at our eastern and western borders, the ongoing fight against terrorism, and the external influence for fomenting unrest, yet we have remained resolute and with support from friends like China significantly improved our law enforcement and public security.

Public security and police cooperation forms an essential component of our bilateral relationship with China. The training of law-enforcement personnel of Pakistan in the Chinese training institute in Hangzhou has been a prominent pillar of this cooperation.

Ladies and Gentlemen,

International Cooperation and exchanges in security and law-enforcement is also gaining enhanced importance in today's globalized world, where countries can learn from each other's best practices and experiences.

The recent concept paper released by Chinese MFA elaborating various pillars of the Global Security Initiative, announced by President Xi Jinping, has also highlighted the need to encourage more exchanges and cooperation among university-level military and police academies, and underlined China's willingness to provide other countries with training opportunities to train professionals for addressing global security issues.

As a leading member of the Global South this shows China's commitment to assist the members of the developing world in enhancing their public security infrastructure, which would greatly contribute to ensuring a safe and secure world for everyone. I salute China's constructive role in this regard and truly believe that China International Exhibition on Police Equipment will play an instrumental role to further strengthen such exchanges with its partner countries.

I wish this event a great success.

Xiexie and I thank you all.