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Prof. Tadafumi Adschiri

President of The Society of Chemical Engineers, Japan (SCEJ)

Dear Prof. Tadafumi Adschiri,

Since the outbreak of COVID-19, the Chinese people, under the leadership of President Xi Jinping and Chinese government, are working hard as a union to fight against this epidemic. In this special period, CIESC sincerely thank friends from all over the world for the full understanding and strong support on China and express our sincere thanks and greetings to friendly international organizations of chemical industry and engineering, and global chemical engineers and workers for your attention and support.

With the attitude of responsibility to the Chinese people and the world, Chinese government are giving full play to China-characteristic system advantages, making all efforts in medical treatment of the patients for reducing severe and fatal cases. A national expert group has been assigned to speed up the research and development of vaccines. In tackling the outbreak, the State Council of China has established a centralized dispatch system for the distribution of medical personnel, medical supplies and citizen's daily necessities.

The Chinese government has always adhered to the concept of a Community with a Shared Future for mankind and the world. These strong measures taken during this period are not only for the Chinese people's health, but also for the sake of global public safety. WHO officials and many other government and healthcare officials across the globe are applauding China's unprecedented and aggressive response. Currently, the prevention and control work has achieved positive results and the epidemic situation has shown positive changes due to concerted hard work. We have full confidence in our ability to prevail over the epidemic at an early date.

The fearless and selfless Chinese scientists, doctors and nurses are the mainstay in this battle, making strenuous efforts to counter the epidemic. China Association for Science and Technology (CAST) and its 210 member societies are working closely with international partners by mobilizing scientists and professionals with expertise on medical treatment, scientific research, policy-making and science communication in the epidemic control. As a member of CAST and under CAST's guidance, CIESC has actively coordinated all resources available, calling the academies, scientific and technological institutions and industrial enterprises to take action to battle against the epidemic. The Chinese chemical scientists and engineers have made all-round efforts in scientific research, public consultation, daily necessity production and scientific knowledge expanding, making positive efforts and outstanding contributions in this fight.

Virus knows of no national boundaries, but the worst of times reveals the best in people. Stronger international cooperation is needed to jointly tackle this challenge. The Chinese government will always adhere to sharing the epidemic information and effective measures with the world and make contributions to the global fight against the epidemic. In defeating the epidemic, we would like to remain in close communication and coordination with SCEJ and will be open to any suggestions from you. Thanks again for your long term friendship and strong support on CIESC. We hope to strengthen cooperation with SCEJ in future for the development of chemical technology in the world.

With best regards

Sincerely yours,
Dai Houliang



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