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Opening Speech On

Northeast Asia Environmental Cooperation

Li Lihui, Governor of Hainan Province Bo'ao, Hainan, China (2002 Dec. 5-6th)

Distinguished Ladies and Gentlemen:

I am very glad to attend the opening ceremony of the 11th Northeast Asia Environmental Cooperation held in Boao here today. First of all, please allow me, on behalf of the government of Hainan Province, to express the ardent congratulations to this conference, to express warm welcome to the officers, experts, and scholars from China, Japanese, Korea, Russia and Mongolia, and to the representatives from ESCAP and UNEP. Welcome to Boao Hainan joining in this regional environmental cooperation conference which of significant importance.

Recall the last century, the human beings created tremendous materials, but at the same time suffered from the environmental degeneration. Since the 1972 United Humanity Environmental Conference, Nations all over the world began the campaign on environment protection. Today, we get together in Boao Hainan, circulate to each other the achievement we made during last year, communicate the experience, and discuss the cooperation plan on environment protection. We do believe, through the great efforts of our five countries, the Northeast Asia environmental cooperation will enter a new stage in the 21st century.

The way of improve Hainan province is to insist in sustainable development policy, to establish an ecological province. Since the found of Hainan province in 1988, the local government has been carrying out the strategy of improving the economics and environment in phase. While speeding

up the economic, we strengthen pollution prevention and cure, and ecological protection, and keep the environmental quality in kilter. Hainan province is one of the places with high environmental quality in our country even in the world: blue sky, green sea, white sand beach, luxuriant coco trees, etc. Our Hainan province, with elegance environment, is keeping the leading position in environmental primary index in our country.

Nowadays, Hainan is implementing the new century environment protection programming according to "The Design Compendium on Hainan Ecological Province Construction" which is approved by the People's Congress Council, to strengthen environmental integrative administration, emphasize environment protection and building, further improve the urban and country environment in Hainan province, promote people's life, and contribute to the Chinese sustainable development. I sincerely welcome you delegates to put forward constructive ideas and suggestions on the Hainan ecological province construction and the protection of environment. And hope we can get more support and help both from international and domestic, can develop technology communion and cooperation from international and domestic, promote the Hainan into a province with flourish economic, rich people, cultural society, and graceful environment.

We do believe, through strengthen the regional cooperation in EP field, hand in hand, make contribution to the world, we certainly can build a desirable and glorious homestead for our posterity.

Finally, I sincerely wish for the success of this meeting.

Wish you all well and enjoy the time in Hainan!

Thank you!