

# **Centenary of the Founding of the Communist Party of China**

## **Hundred Years of Struggle, Set Sail on a New Journey**

The year 2021 marks the centenary of the founding of the Communist Party of China (CPC). A hundred years ago, China amidst internal and external turmoil and unprecedented social crises in the Chinese nation. Since then, the CPC united and guided people of all ethnicities to overcome countless insurmountable obstacles, to create one miracle after another that has left an indelible impression on history, and to write down a glorious epic that surprises the world.

The original aspiration and unremitting persistence have remained unshakable for the past hundred years. During this period, the CPC, whether weak or strong, at a good time or a bad one, has always fulfilled its original mission of seeking happiness for the people, rejuvenation for the nation, and commonwealth for the world, and has always been connected to the people, struggling together and sharing the same destiny, always following the trend of history, taking on the burden of history, and daring to make great sacrifices. The CPC, like a small red boat, headed in the right direction, bringing the people's trust and the nation's hope through the rapids and tumultuous waves, and has become a magnificent ship capable of navigating China's steady advancement.

The successes achieved in these hundred years have earned the admiration of the world. Throughout this period, the CPC has made unrelenting efforts to become the world's largest political party, leading China to great achievements in revolution, construction, and reform, completely eliminating absolute poverty, building a moderately prosperous society, fulfilling a millennium's long-cherished dream, and realizing the great leap of the Chinese nation from standing up and growing rich to becoming strong, demonstrating the benefits of the CPC's leadership and the advantages of the socialist system with Chinese characteristics. We are closer than at any other point in history to achieving the target of the Chinese nation's great rejuvenation, and we are more optimistic and capable of doing so.

Macao comes together to commemorate a century of glory. The principle of "one country, two systems", created by the CPC, has not only successfully resolved the issues of Hong Kong and Macao's historical problems, but it has also proved to be the best system for maintaining Hong Kong and Macao's long-term prosperity and stability. Over the past twenty years since Macao's return to the Motherland, with the strong support of the Central Government and the Motherland, the Government of the Special Administrative Region and the society from different sectors have jointly and rigorously implemented the principles of "one country, two systems", "Macao people governing Macao", a high degree of autonomy, consciously upholding the authority of the Constitution of China and the Basic Law of Macao, adhering to the destiny and affection of home country, promoting the fine tradition of patriotism for China and patriotism for Macao, embarking on a broad path of development and prosperity together with the Motherland, and fully demonstrating the great vitality of the "one country, two systems" principle.

Standing at the historical intersection to achieve the goals of the “two centenaries”, we believe that under the guidance of “Xi Jinping’s Thought on Socialism with Chinese Characteristics in the New Era”, the giant ship “Rejuvenation”, loaded with dreams of the Chinese people, will be able to cleave through waves and sail to victory. We also believe that if we fully and accurately enforce the “one country, two systems” principle, adhere to the principle of “Patriots governing Macao”, resolutely safeguard China’s sovereignty, security and development interests, and proactively integrate into the overall development of the country, Macao, like a “Lotus Flower in Full Bloom”, will undoubtedly become even more brilliant and prosperous.

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