Agreement Between Harbin Of The People's Republic Of China and Sør-Varanger Of The Kingdom Of Norway On The Establishment Of Friendly Exchange City Relationship

Harbin of the People's Republic of China and Sør-Varanger of the Kingdom of Norway, in accordance with the principles of the Joint Communique on the Establishment of Diplomatic Relation's between the People's Republic of China and the Kingdom of Norway, for the purpose of further strengthening friendly exchange contacts, consolidating and developing friendly exchange cooperation between the two cities, have reached the agreement on the establishment of Friendly Exchange City relationship.

- 1. The two sides will carry out, on the basis of equality and mutual benefit, exchanges and cooperation in various forms in the fields of agriculture, food, trade, culture, tourism etc to promote common prosperity and development.
- 2. Regular contacts shall be maintained between the leaders and relevant departments of the two cities to better mutual understanding and facilitate consultations on the exchanges and cooperation as well as matters of common concern.
- 3. In order to further strengthen friendship between the two cities and develop exchanges and cooperation in various fields, both sides have agreed to establish friendly exchange city relationship between Harbin and Sør-Varanger and actively perform necessary formalities and will sign a formal agreement upon adoptions by their respective decision making bodies.
- 4.If the cooperation goes smoothly, then the two cities' relationship will upgrade the sister cities.

This agreement is signed on 4th of Jan, 2018, done in duplicate, in Chinese and English languages, two texts being equally authentic.

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