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In Their Own Words

Xi Jinping: Speech at the General Assembly Commemorating the 110th Anniversary of the Revolution of 1911

Comrades and friends:

110 years ago, the revolutionary party represented by Mr. Sun Yat-sen launched the 1911 Revolution that shocked the world, overthrew the Qing government, and ended the monarchy system that had lasted for thousands of years in China. The profound social changes that have taken place in China in modern times have been brought about by this. It's a prelude. This is a great and arduous exploration by the Chinese people and Chinese advanced elements to realize national independence and the liberation of the people.

This year marks the 110th anniversary of the Revolution of 1911 and the 100th anniversary of the founding of the Communist Party of China. The Chinese people are marching toward the second centennial goal of building a modern and powerful socialist country in an all-round way. At this important moment, we are here to gather solemnly to cherish the memory of the historical merits of Sun Yat-sen and other pioneers of the revolution. It is to learn and carry forward their noble spirit for the revitalization of China, and to inspire and unite all Chinese people at home and abroad for the realization of the Chinese nation. Work together for a great rejuvenation.

Comrades, friends!

The occurrence of the Revolution of 1911 has a profound social and historical background and is the inevitable result of the intensification of social contradictions in China and the tenacious struggle of the Chinese people in modern times. The Chinese nation is an ancient and great nation in the world. It has a long history of civilization for more than 5,000 years and has made indelible contributions to the progress of human civilization. After the Opium War in 1840, Western powers acted arbitrarily on the land of China, and the feudal rulers were weak and incompetent, China gradually became a semi-colonial and semi-feudal society, the country was humiliated, the people suffered, and civilization turned to dust. The Chinese people and the Chinese nation suffered unprecedented disasters. The heroic Chinese people have never succumbed. They have fought and searched again and again on the road to save the nation, demonstrating a tenacious will not to fear violence and to strive for self-improvement.

Since then, realizing the great rejuvenation of the Chinese nation has become the greatest dream of the Chinese people.

Mr. Sun Yat-sen is a great national hero, a great patriot, and a great pioneer of China's democratic revolution. Mr. Sun Yat-sen screamed for "urgently save the people from water and fire, and help the mansions to fall." He raised the banner of struggle against feudal autocratic rule, put forward the political program of the Three People's Principles of nation, civil rights, and people's livelihood, and took the lead in issuing the call for "rejuvenating China". Under the leadership and influence of Mr. Sun Yat-sen, a large number of revolutionary parties and countless patriots gathered under the banner of rejuvenating China, widely spread revolutionary ideas, actively raised a wave of progress, and successively launched armed uprisings, which promoted the formation of the revolutionary trend.

On October 10, 1911, the gunshots of Wuchang City opened the prelude to the modern national democratic revolution in China. The Revolution of 1911 greatly promoted the ideological emancipation of the Chinese nation, spread the idea of a democratic republic, opened the floodgates of China's progressive trend, shook the foundations of the reactionary ruling order, and established the first republic in Asia on the land of China. The shock and profound influence of China has promoted social changes in China and explored the way for the great rejuvenation of the Chinese nation.

The historical feats made by Mr. Sun Yat-sen and the pioneers of the Revolution of 1911 for the Chinese nation shine through forever! The heroes who fought bravely and sacrificed heroically in the Revolution of 1911 go down in history! The Revolution of 1911 will always be a standing milestone on the journey of the great rejuvenation of the Chinese nation!

Comrades, friends!

Historical development always spirals upwards and advances in waves. Due to the constraints of the historical process and social conditions, as well as the failure to find the correct path and leadership to solve the problem of China's future and destiny, the Revolution of 1911 did not change the semi-colonial and semi-feudal social nature of the old China and the tragic situation of the Chinese people, and did not complete the realization of national independence and the people. The historical mission of liberation. After the Revolution of 1911, the Chinese people and Chinese advanced elements who were baptized in this revolution continued to explore the way to save the country and the people. The blast of the October Revolution brought Marxism-Leninism to China and promoted the great awakening of the Chinese people. In the close integration of Marxism-Leninism with the Chinese labor movement, the Communist Party of China came into being. Once the Communist Party of China was born, it established its original intention and mission for the happiness of the Chinese people and the rejuvenation of the Chinese nation, and it has lighted the beacon for the great rejuvenation of the Chinese nation.

The Chinese Communists are the most steadfast supporters, most loyal collaborators, and most loyal successors of Dr. Sun Yat-sen's revolutionary cause. The Communist Party of China put forward the anti-imperialist and anti-feudal democratic revolution program at the beginning of its establishment and worked hand in hand with the Chinese Kuomintang led by Mr. Sun Yat-sen to help the Kuomintang complete the reorganization, establish the most extensive

revolutionary united front, set off a vigorous revolution, and reacted to the Beiyang warlords. The rule was hit hard.

After the death of Mr. Sun Yat-sen, the Chinese Communists inherited his last wish, continued to struggle with all those who were loyal to his cause, and continued to realize and develop the great ambitions of Mr. Sun Yat-sen and the pioneer of the Revolution of 1911. The Communist Party of China united and led the Chinese people in bloody battles and perseverance, defeated all reactionary forces at home and abroad, won the great victory of the new democratic revolution, established the People's Republic of China where the people are the masters, and completed the historical tasks of national independence and people's liberation. A new historical era in the development and progress of the Chinese nation.

After the founding of the People's Republic of China, the Communist Party of China united and led the Chinese people, relied on its own efforts and worked hard to create great achievements in socialist revolution and construction; emancipated the mind and forge ahead, created great achievements in reform, opening up, and socialist modernization; self-confident and self-reliant, Keeping integrity and innovation, mastering great struggles, great projects, great undertakings, and great dreams, creating great achievements in upholding and developing socialism with Chinese characteristics in the new era.

Recalling the past, Mr. Sun Yat-sen's long-cherished wish to rejuvenate China, the pioneers of the 1911 Revolution's beautiful vision for the development of the Chinese nation, the great dream that the Chinese people have dreamed of and struggled for in modern times has been or is becoming a reality, and the Chinese nation has ushered in from standing up and getting rich The great leap to becoming stronger, the great rejuvenation of the Chinese nation has entered an irreversible historical process!

Comrades, friends!

Mr. Sun Yat-sen said in the "Strategy for the Founding of the Country": "I believe it is feasible, and then the difficulty of moving mountains and filling the sea will eventually succeed." Today, after long-term struggle, the realization of the great rejuvenation of the Chinese nation has a more complete system guarantee, a more solid material foundation, and a more active spiritual force. The prospects are bright and vast, but the road ahead will not be smooth. We must learn from history, create the future, continue to assume the historical mission on the new journey of building a socialist modern country in an all-round way, grasp the historical initiative, and continue to advance the historic cause of the great rejuvenation of the Chinese nation.

The 110-year history of the Revolution of 1911 has inspired us that to achieve the great rejuvenation of the Chinese nation, there must be a strong force leading the advancement of the Chinese people. This strong force is the Communist Party of China. The leadership of the Communist Party of China is the choice of history and the people. It is the fundamental and lifeblood of the party and the country, and is tied to the interests and destiny of the people of all ethnic groups in the country. Without the Communist Party of China, there would be no New China, and there would be no great rejuvenation of the Chinese nation.

On the new journey, we must uphold and strengthen the party's overall leadership, give full play to the party's leadership role in overseeing the overall situation and coordinating all parties, and improve the party's scientific governance, democratic governance, and governance according to law. It is necessary to carry forward the great party building spirit, advance the great new project of party building, enhance the ability of self-purification, self-improvement, self-renewal, and self-improvement, and ensure that the Communist Party of China will always be the most reliable backbone of the Chinese people and the Chinese nation.

The 110-year history of the Revolution of 1911 has inspired us that the road is the most fundamental issue in realizing the great rejuvenation of the Chinese nation. Socialism with Chinese characteristics is the only correct way to realize the great rejuvenation of the Chinese nation. This path conforms to China's reality, reflects the wishes of the Chinese people, and adapts to the development requirements of the times. Not only is it right and accessible, but it will also be able to go steadily and well.

On the new journey, we must unswervingly persist in and develop socialism with Chinese characteristics, continue to advance the modernization of Marxism in China, be firm in our resolve to remain unchanged, and firmly hold the destiny of China's development and progress in our own hands. We must coordinate the promotion of the "five in one" overall layout, coordinate the promotion of the "four comprehensive" strategic layout, comprehensively deepen reforms and expand opening up, promote the modernization of the national governance system and governance capabilities, and continue to meet the new expectations of the people for a better life. Promote the common prosperity of all people.

The 110-year history of the Revolution of 1911 has inspired us that to realize the great rejuvenation of the Chinese nation, we must rely on the heroic struggle of the Chinese people themselves. Historical development has never been calm, but full of twists and turns. As Comrade Mao Zedong said: "Our ancestors used unyielding struggle against internal and external oppressors and never stopped." "The unyielding efforts of the Chinese people will steadily achieve their goals."

On the new journey, we must coordinate the overall strategy of the great rejuvenation of the Chinese nation and the great changes in the world that have not been seen in a century, seize the historical opportunity, enhance the awareness of danger, always be prepared for danger in times of peace, maintain the revolutionary spirit and revolutionary fighting spirit, and be brave to carry on with many new historical characteristics. In the great struggle of China, with the will and quality of daring and good at fighting, we will resolutely overcome any major risks and challenges that may hinder the rejuvenation of the Chinese nation, and resolutely safeguard national sovereignty, security, and development interests.

The 110-year history of the Revolution of 1911 has inspired us to realize the great rejuvenation of the Chinese nation. The Chinese people and the Chinese nation must be in the same boat and overcome all risks and challenges on the road ahead by unity. Mr. Sun Yat-sen once said: "To restore the status of the nation, we must first restore the national spirit." In modern times, the Chinese people and the Chinese nation have carried forward the great patriotism spirit. A heroic epic of foreign aggression, overthrowing reactionary rule, building a

people's state, and advancing reform and opening up. The united front has always been an important magic weapon for the Chinese Communist Party to unite people's hearts and gather strength.

On the new journey, we must vigorously promote the spirit of patriotism, establish a high degree of national self-esteem and national self-confidence, build a sense of the Chinese nation's community, firmly rely on the common struggle of all Chinese sons and daughters, adhere to the great unity and unity, and continue to consolidate and develop the most The extensive patriotic united front has broadly gathered all the wisdom and strength of the Chinese nation, forming a lively situation in which all Chinese people at home and abroad are united in one mind and contribute to the great cause of national rejuvenation.

The 110-year history of the Revolution of 1911 has inspired us that realizing the great rejuvenation of the Chinese nation requires not only a stable and united domestic environment, but also a peaceful and stable international environment. Mr. Sun Yat-sen once said: "If China becomes strong, we will not only restore our national status, but also take a great responsibility for the world." The Chinese nation does not have the genes for invading others and dominating the world. The Chinese people not only hope I have developed well, and I hope that people of all countries can have a happy and peaceful life.

On the new journey, we must always hold high the banner of peace, development, cooperation, and win-win, promote the building of a community with a shared future for mankind, promote the improvement of the global governance system, and promote the common values of peace, development, fairness, justice, democracy, and freedom for all mankind, and strengthen To unite with the people of all countries in the world, to jointly oppose hegemonism and power politics, to be a builder of world peace, a contributor to global development, and a defender of international order, and strive to make new and greater contributions to mankind.

Comrades, friends!

Mr. Sun Yat-sen once said: "'Unification' is the hope of all Chinese citizens. If you can reunify, the people of the whole country will enjoy the blessings; if you can't, you will suffer." This is determined by the general trend of the historical evolution of the Chinese nation, and it is the common will of all Chinese sons and daughters. Just as Mr. Sun Yat-sen said: "The trend of the world is mighty, if it goes along, it will prosper, and if it goes against it, it will perish."

To achieve the reunification of the motherland by peaceful means is most in line with the overall interests of the Chinese nation, including the Taiwan compatriots. We adhere to the basic policy of "peaceful reunification and one country, two systems", adhere to the one-China principle and the "1992 consensus", and promote the peaceful development of cross-strait relations. Compatriots on both sides of the strait must stand on the right side of history and jointly create the glorious cause of the complete reunification of the motherland and the great national rejuvenation.

The Chinese nation has a glorious tradition of opposing division and maintaining unity. The "Taiwan independence" split is the biggest obstacle to the reunification of the motherland and a

serious hidden danger to national rejuvenation. Those who forget their ancestors, betray the motherland, or split the country have never ended well, and they will be spurned by the people and judged by history! The Taiwan issue is purely China's internal affair, and no external interference is allowed. No one should underestimate the Chinese people's determination, determination, and strong ability to defend national sovereignty and territorial integrity! The historical task of the complete reunification of the motherland must be fulfilled, and it will definitely be fulfilled!

Comrades, friends!

After a long period of hard work in modern times, the Chinese people have made great achievements that have made the world impressive and ushered in a bright prospect for national rejuvenation. Realizing the great rejuvenation of the Chinese nation is the common glory of all Chinese sons and daughters, and it is also the common mission of all Chinese sons and daughters. Mr. Sun Yat-sen said: "I hope that the princes will put the responsibility of revitalizing China on their own shoulders." I call on all Chinese people at home and abroad to unite more closely, carry forward the great spirit of Sun Yat-sen and other pioneers of the Revolution of 1911, and join hands. Continue to march forward courageously towards the goal of the great rejuvenation of the Chinese nation!

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