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To,

His Excellency,
Vice President Elect of India,
Shri Muppavarapu Venkaiah Naidu

Date: Aug 7th, 2017

Your Excellency,

I, on behalf of all the Tibetans, would like to convey my sincerest congratulation to your kind self on becoming the 13th Vice President of India.

Since the occupation of Tibet by the Communist China in 1959, India, not only welcomed us but also offered displaced Tibetans with every facilities to lead a better life, especially education through the establishment of Tibetan residential schools based on the principles of Tibetan culture.

As His Holiness the 14th Dali Lama always says, India and Tibet shares a 'guru-chela' relationship, for one of the Tibet's indispensable wealth is Buddhism from India. The people of Tibet and India have religious and cultural ties from the centuries back and we hope India will continue to support the just cause of Tibet.

Your Excellency, to resolve every political issues in this 21st century, negotiation is a crucial and an essential mode to lead a peaceful solution for both the countries. Therefore, to resolve the worsening situation inside Tibet, the resumption of dialogue between Chinese authorities and the Representative of His Holiness the Dalai Lama is of significance and we hope that it would eventuate soon under your leadership.

I extend my best wishes as you assume the responsibility of the Vice President of India. May your kind self be bestowed with all the blessings, wisdom and compassion to lead India towards more success and prosperity!

Yours Sincerely,

Ven. Khenpo Sonam Tenphel,
Speaker
Tibetan Parliament-in-exile