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Hon. Members of European Parliament European Parliament Bât. Altiero Spinelli, 60 rue Wiertz / Wiertzstraat 60 B-1047 - Bruxelles/Brussels, Belgium

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Honourable Members,

Your Parliament in its recent plenary session in Strasbourg on 18th April, 2019 adopted a resolution in support of Tibetans, other ethnic and religious groups by accentuating the world about China's restrictive and harsh policy on these groups. On behalf of all Tibetans in and outside Tibet, the 16th Tibetan Parliament-in-Exile genuinely expresses our gratitude to you all for adopting such a resolution in support of the voiceless people who are still suffering under the harsh policy of Chinese authorities. Moreover, this resolution was adopted with a large majority of 505 in favour, 18 against and 47 abstentions.

This resolution which recalls the Chinese authorities against their vindictive suppression of human rights policy, the restriction of fundamental practices, the continuous use of forceful political reeducation, arbitrary detentions, destruction of environment and disregarding of their own Constitution norms in Tibet, Uyghurs, Kazakhs, Christians and other minority groups in China, reiterates European Parliament's consistent stand against the illegitimacy of China's governance in the world despite China being one of the world's most powerful economic country.

The adoption of this resolution sends a strong message to the world that China's repressive measures on Tibetans and other ethnic groups are strongly not acceptable and want China to ratify the international covenant on civil and political rights.

Over the years, European countries had been constantly diligent in their support towards the issue of Tibet and raised numerous of their voices on many platforms. They welcomed His Holiness the 14th Dalai Lama on many occasions in their parliament and stand tall with the issue of Tibet. They even adopted many resolutions and delivered many statements in support of Tibet's just cause. Tibetan people are indeed grateful to the people and the government of European countries for their utmost support all through these years.

Yours sincerely,

Pema Jungney (Mr.)

Speaker

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