

**FREE TRADE AGREEMENT
BETWEEN
THE GOVERNMENT OF
THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA
AND
THE GOVERNMENT OF
THE REPUBLIC OF ECUADOR**

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Preamble

The Government of the People’s Republic of China (“China”) and the Government of the Republic of Ecuador (“Ecuador”), hereinafter referred to as “the Parties”;

Committed to strengthening the bonds of friendship and cooperation as well as comprehensive strategic partnership between their countries;

Sharing the belief that a free trade agreement shall produce mutual benefits to each Party and contribute to the expansion and development of world trade under the multilateral trading system embodied in the *Marrakesh Agreement Establishing the World Trade Organization* (“the WTO Agreement”);

Building on their respective rights and obligations under the WTO Agreement and other multilateral, regional and bilateral instruments of cooperation;

Resolved to promote reciprocal trade through the establishment of clear and mutually advantageous trade rules, the avoidance of trade barriers, and strengthening cooperation in digital economy and electronic commerce;

Sharing their consent to strengthen and enhance the global and regional supply chains, particularly in the Asia-Pacific area;

Recognizing that this Agreement should be implemented with a view toward raising the standard of living, creating new job opportunities, and promoting sustainable development in a manner consistent with environmental protection and conservation; and

Committed to promoting the public welfare within each of their countries;

Have agreed as follows: