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Distinguished Mr. Salvatore Sciacchitano, President of the ICAO Council,

Distinguished Mr. Juan Carlos Salazar, Secretary General of ICAO,

Dear colleagues,

It is a great pleasure to attend the Third Conference on Aviation and Alternative Fuels together with old friends and new ones. This conference will provide a platform for States to deepen exchanges and mutual trust so as to jointly enhance the global layout and deployment of cleaner energy for aviation, and promote greater contributions to global climate governance by the international aviation sector. The Chinese delegation would like to express our gratitude to the President of the Council, the Secretary General and your team for all the efforts in organizing this conference.

The large-scale commercial use of cleaner energy for aviation represents an important means for the aviation sector to achieve green transformation and sustainable development. Based on China's own national circumstances, resource endowments and capabilities, we have carried out research and development as well as application and promotion of aviation cleaner energy since 2010, including the verification and use of sustainable aviation fuels (SAF) for commercial flights, airworthiness certification of fuel products, technical studies on diversified production pathways, development and improvement of relevant technical regulations, research on the certification procedures of new technologies and raw materials, and efforts in building and developing an industrial chain for SAF. China's civil aviation has set the goal of consuming a total of 50000 tons of SAF by 2025, and is advancing the promotion and application of SAF in an active and orderly manner.

At present, the large-scale application of aviation cleaner energy is still

hindered by the supply of raw materials, refining process, safety certification, sustainability certification, price and other factors. Studies have shown that the production capacity of SAF will be highly concentrated in a few countries in the short to medium term; while developing countries, on the other hand, face tremendous challenges in the financing, technologies, and capacity building required for the production and use of aviation cleaner energy. Therefore, in order to balance the development and deployment of aviation cleaner energy globally, China proposes that the "Global Framework for Cleaner Energy in Aviation" should start from solving the problem in a systematic way, seek common ground while reserving differences, build consensus, and properly address the concerns of each party, especially those of developing countries.

The Chinese delegation stands ready to have candid dialogues and work in concert with all parties to make positive contributions to achieving balanced, fair, and reasonable outcomes of CAAF/3. I wish this conference a complete success.

Thank you!