Speech by Mr. XIE Xiaoyong, Minister of the Chinese Embassy in Moscow at the Conference of Global Security on the 2015 BRICS Agenda: From Fortaleza to Ufa
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Dear Mr. Ivanov, Vice-Rector of Russian MID Diplomatic Academy,
Dear Mr. Orlov, Mr. Toloraya, H.E. Mr. Lekov,
Dear colleagues, ladies and gentlemen,

First of all, I'd like to congratulate the Day of Constitution of the Russian Federation.

It is my great pleasure to join with you for today's conference; and please allow me to give my sincerely thanks for the efforts of our Russian colleagues for organizing this event.

Through the past five years following the founding of the BRICS, our political mutual trust has been enhanced. Our cooperation has been expanded to many areas. Our efforts have been increased in the coordination regarding major international topics, including tackling global economic and financial problems, promoting worldwide growth, and contributing to the process of democratization of international relations. The Fortaleza summit has generated solutions for inclusive growth and sustainable development, along with relevant international agenda. Its fruitful results marked a new stage for the BRICS in its cooperation and coordination in all fields. During the meeting of BRICS leaders in Brisbane, Chinese President Xi Jinping has proposed that the development of the BRICS should relay on dual tracks in both political and economic cooperation. The BRICS should be the powerhouse of the world economy, helping to bring worldwide development, while it also should be the shield for international peace, which means we need to enhance our coordination and cooperation in fields of international politics and security, in order to uphold equality and justice.

At the moment, what deserves our attention is the new development and challenges in international security. Based on the old international balance of power, the current framework of global governance is losing its legitimacy and becoming less efficient. It runs against the trend of multilateralism. As a result, the world is haunted by non-traditional security threats, such as political turbulence, violent conflicts, terrorism, natural disasters and pandemic diseases. Therefore, in 2015 the BRICS
should focus on cooperation in the following agenda.

Firstly, the BRICS needs to play a constructive role in safeguarding international peace and security, advocating the use of diplomacy in solving international and regional hotspot issues. We need to have our own solutions for international affairs, uphold justice and ensure equality, defend legitimate and reasonable deeds, and build the world into a better place. It is suggested that next year in 2015, BRICS countries could actively participate in various events commemorating the 70th anniversary of the World War II, which was against Fascism. It is definitely unacceptable for anyone who aims and plans to distort or neglect history.

Secondly, the BRICS needs to fight against terrorism in any forms. International terrorism is developing with new features, for example, localized terrorism, simultaneous attack of multiple targets, internet terrorism, etc. We need to increase our cooperation in law enforcement and information sharing, focusing on fighting against the spread of extremist ideas and violence. We need to forcefully against the application of double standards in global counter terrorism efforts. Regarding the framework in fighting against terrorism, we should support that major role played by the UN Security Council.

Thirdly, the BRICS needs to increase cooperation in internet and information security. We need to build an international internet management mechanism, featuring equality, democracy and transparency, under the framework of UN. We are against any means which aims at destroying the political stability, economic prosperity, social and cultural traditions of a third country. It is preferable that the BRICS countries could support the Guideline of International Information Security proposed by China and Russia. We need also to promote the exchanges and sharing of information and technology between the developed countries and the developing countries, urging the developed countries to increase their digital assistance to the developing countries.

Fourthly, the BRICS needs to become closer economic partners, increasing cooperation in trade, investments, finance, interconnection, and cultural exchanges. We need to continue our efforts in building the investment bank and contingent reserve arrangement, and bringing concrete benefits to our people. The BRICs countries need to continue to push forward the reform of IMF and global governance, in order to ensure our mutual benefit and to bring strong and sustainable recovery to the world economy.
Dear colleagues and friends.

Today’s conference provides a great stage for us to discuss and coordinate our positions regarding major international political and security issues. It is helpful for the BRICS countries to enhance our solidarity, increase our influence and express ourselves in international affairs.

As part of the BRICS, China will continue to be a supporter and participant for our cooperation, and is willing to closely coordinate with our friends. Being consistent with our strategy of opening-up and mutual benefit, China will continue to promote security views, which are inclusive, comprehensive, cooperative and sustainable. China aims to build new international relations with cooperation and win-win as its core, and to work harder to ensure world peace and common development.

I am confident that we will have new breakthroughs for our political and economic cooperation during the Ufa summit. Last but not least, I’d like to hope today’s conference a big success.

Thank you!