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## Theory and Practice of Building a New Type of International Relations

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Abstract: Socialism with Chinese characteristics has entered a new era with the long-term efforts of all the people of China, and China is getting closer and closer to the center of the world, making great contributions to the development of all mankind. China is transforming itself from a regional power to a global power, and the global economic recovery is synchronized with China's prosperity and development. Against the backdrop of the new "one superpower, many strong" scenario, China is strengthening its unique characteristics and international influence. At the same time, China's relationship with the international community is changing, with a growing world power of 1.4 billion people. What role it will play in international affairs, and what impact it will have are questions that require deeper reflection for China's development and diplomacy. Chinese scholars have conducted a lot of research on this issue and achieved milestones, but most of the studies have not addressed the issues of values, sovereignty, and interests. This paper tries to break this situation and enrich the relevant theories by constructing the theoretical and practical strategies of new international relations.

## 1. Introduction

Promoting the construction of a new type of international relations is both a major issue facing the great power diplomacy with Chinese characteristics in the new era and a good prospect for China to actively explore and build healthy development of international relations and maintain the world order. This will help China's strategic capability to improve significantly and help maintain world peace and stability. At present, China has made fruitful achievements in promoting the construction of a new type of international relations, but at the same time, it also faces many challenges. In the process of building a new type of international relations, we must adhere to our own principles, safeguard our core interests, maintain our national sovereignty and equality, and establish a correct concept of righteousness and profit. At the same time, China has taken a series of practical and effective initiatives. These include: adhering to the path of peaceful development, building a secure and stable general environment; expanding the global cooperation network and uniting the forces of humanity; adhering to a series of multilateral and bilateral agreements and upholding the authority of the international legal system; innovating international management systems and institutions and enhancing the capacity of international management; and actively carrying out foreign exchanges and strengthening civil and humanistic exchanges, thus promoting the ultimate construction of a new type of international relations. From a macro perspective, the article combines the socialist road, guidelines and policies with Chinese characteristics, which aims to sort out and analyze the opportunities, and challenges faced in promoting the construction of a new type of international relations, and further seek the development path on this basis [1].

## 2. Theoretical Connotation of New International Relations

International relations in the new era is rich in theoretical content, and it is the enrichment and development of the five principles of peaceful coexistence in the new era. In the face of the current changes in international relations and the global situation, Chinese leaders have clarified their own diplomatic policy, and sought to develop it in practice, finally proposing a new type of international relations. Leaders for the current international situation has undergone profound changes, and all countries in the world must work together to build a new type of international relations with mutual benefit and win-win at its core. Once the concept of a new type of international relations was put forward, it immediately produced a great reaction in the world, people have deepened their understanding and exploration of its theoretical connotation and meaning. For example, mutual respect means mutual respect for national sovereignty and territorial integrity, social systems and development paths, core national interests and security issues. Justice among civilizations and traditional cultures of all countries means that, regardless of size, power, weakness or wealth, all countries and peoples should enjoy dignity, the fruits of development; security and equal participation in international affairs in terms of representation and the right to speak; Win-win cooperation means that in the process of development, all countries should maintain world peace, development, consolidation and development, and actively promote the development of other countries. The new type of international relations that China is currently promoting, which is a logical and systematic organic whole, has a strong vitality, and its difference manifests itself in comparison with the traditional international relations.

## 2.1. Sovereign Differences

The Charter of the United Nations covers the basic principles of statehood, sovereignty and diplomacy, including legal equality, sovereign equality and political equality. Therefore, the new type of international relations should be built on the basis of sovereign equality, with mutual respect among countries more prominent. The new type of international relations focuses on transforming the friendly relations between states from form to substance, and emphasizes the contributions and innovations made by each country to the establishment of international relations [2].

#### 2.2. Different Values

The issue of "values" has always been an important issue in international relations, and based on "reciprocity", it will inevitably have a negative impact on the construction of international relations, which in turn will have a negative impact on peace and friendship in international relations. At the same time, in the process of global economic integration, "values" are increasingly enriched, and the role of reciprocal cooperation among countries is increasingly prominent in areas, such as global climate change, environmental protection and global economic recovery. The report of the 19th Party Congress reaffirms China's great contribution to the construction of international relations, and justly recognizes the importance of such "values" to the construction of new international relations.

#### 2.3. Different Interests

International relations in the new era are dominated by cooperation and consultation, based on negotiation and finally reaching a win-win situation. In this context, conflicts between countries are becoming blurred, interests and values are harmonized, traditional social systems, rights and policies are developed and broken through, and traditional international relations have changed dramatically. In fact, "competition" is the inevitable trend of a country's development. The new international relations are centered on "harmony and win-win", and cooperation among countries will be further developed in the process of economic integration [3].

## 3. The practical Path of New International Relations

## 3.1. Expanding the Global Cooperation Network

Expanding the global cooperation network and uniting all peoples is one of the main lines of promoting the construction of a new type of international relations. We must attach great importance to the establishment of global cooperation relations, as well as many overseas visits, combining point and surface, comprehensive and balanced and overall promotion, so that our "world circle of friends" continues to expand. In order to expand the network of cooperation on a global scale and better unite the forces of humanity, the following important directions of development must be grasped. The first is based on the principle of "equality". China has always advocated justice and fairness, always adhered to the five principles of peaceful coexistence, and cooperated with other countries in the world on an equal footing, regardless of their size, strength, weakness, wealth, etc. In particular, in international economic, political and cultural cooperation, China fully respects the wishes of governments and people, promotes the democratization of international relations through equal consultation, and safeguards the legitimate rights of both sides. Second, we must adhere to openness. Expanding international cooperative relations requires countries to trust each other, be honest, narrow exclusion, abandon closed development methods, expand open areas, expand areas of cooperation, jointly build fair, reasonable and transparent international trade rules, and accelerate the global flow of international capital, technology and information and other factors of production, liberalize market access, accelerate the establishment of free trade ports, appropriately reduce tariff levels, and take mutually beneficial, and win-win practical results to consolidate cooperative relations. Third, responsibility should be taken as a guarantee. The globalization of the economy has also given rise to a series of global problems, which have a wide range of influence and are of a discriminatory nature, and countries should take up their international responsibilities while acquiring their own interests. As the second largest economy in the world, China has clearly established its strategic position as a "responsible power", assuming its international responsibilities, actively participating in international affairs, solving global problems, and establishing partnerships while cooperating with other countries. Fourth, the purpose of "sharing" is achieved. It is necessary to break the traditional thinking of "zero-sum game" and not to pursue one-upmanship and winner-take-all; we have to advocate the concept of "win-win" and adhere to the goal of mutually beneficial and win-win development, so as to expand the interests of all parties, unite the strengths of all mankind and share the fruits of development. We will build a global partnership network and promote the healthy development of international relations.

## 3.2. Building a Secure and Stable Ecology

Adhering to the path of peaceful development and creating a secure and stable environment are

the fundamental guarantees for promoting the construction of a new type of international relations. From a macro perspective, the first is to maintain world peace and create a secure and stable environment for the establishment of a new type of international relations, so as to promote the common development of both sides. Firstly, from the perspective of safeguarding core national interests, we will strengthen national security, combat various separatists and maintain national unity. Secondly, we will maintain peace and stability in the neighboring regions as the cornerstone of development, strengthen friendly relations with our neighbors, enhance cooperation with them under the premise of the five principles of peaceful coexistence, and eliminate "China's threat" and "hegemony when the country is strong," etc. "strategic doubts" and build a "community of neighboring destiny". Finally, it insists on expanding international security, strengthening cooperation with the international community, advocating a new security concept of common, comprehensive, cooperative and sustainable development, taking a new path of cooperative development, jointly combating terrorism, consulting on international issues, such as nuclear proliferation, and jointly maintaining international security [4]. The second is to promote common development, which will help expand the convergence of interests of countries around the world and make international relations function more smoothly and healthily. To advance international relations in the new era, we must focus on developing relations with the United States, Russia and other major powers to resolve crises and achieve mutual benefits; our government will continue to strengthen ties with emerging market countries and developing countries, continuously expand openness and enhance mutual strategic trust. Based on the policy of mutual benefit, we will strengthen exchanges and cooperation to promote the common development of both countries.

## 3.3. Strengthening the Reform of the System and Mechanism of Global Governance

In promoting the construction of a new type of international relations, we must strengthen the construction of systems and mechanisms for global governance. First, it is necessary to actively participate in and lead the reform of the global economic system, innovate the development mechanism of international cooperation, strive to solve the problems of the existing economic system that cannot adapt to the development of the times, adhere to the concept of global governance of mutual consultation, construction and sharing, and form a fair and transparent, mutually beneficial international financial and investment pattern, so as to establish a more open and fair world economic system. Secondly, in the global political governance system, we should focus on enhancing China's discourse capacity, actively participate in international affairs, break the discourse system of the traditional Western hegemony led by the United States, work together with the majority of developing countries to build a fair and reasonable international public opinion exchange platform, and finally strengthen propaganda efforts to enhance international political influence. Again, in the global ecological governance system, we will actively advocate the green concept of sustainable development, adhere to the logic of "harmonious coexistence", and actively participate in the construction of global ecological civilization. Adhere to the Paris Climate Change Agreement, implement the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, actively advocate and promote the ecological idea of "green", and proactively participate in international environmental governance activities. Finally, we should strengthen the professional talents of international governance, and enhance our country's international governance capacity. Talents are the most direct force in promoting global governance, implementing national policies and promoting the implementation of various plans, all of which are inseparable from talents. Therefore, to enable our country to better manage scientifically and effectively in the current international governance, it is necessary to train a large number of experts. Guided by the correct ideology, they should firmly establish their political stance and make full use of their professional ability to analyze and deal with the international situation, exert their professionalism and contribute their wisdom, so as to win more initiatives for China in international affairs, thus safeguarding the core national interests as their responsibility, innovating the institutional mechanism, and promoting the development of the global governance system in a healthier direction [5].

# 3.4. A series of Bilateral and Multilateral Agreements to Uphold the Authority of the International Rule of Law

It is necessary to abide by a series of multilateral and bilateral agreements and uphold the authority of the international legal system, which is an important political basis for promoting the development of new international relations. China's foreign policy is based on its adherence to international law and the basic principles of international relations, and thus has a strong stability and continuity, and has gained the trust of many countries. Rules play a pivotal role in international interactions, and all parties in international interactions must follow relevant agreements and treaties, fulfill their own promises, maintain international social security, promote the spirit of the rule of law and establish the authority of the legal system. On the one hand, with the increasingly obvious global multipolarity and the rise of multilateralism, China must conform to the development trend of the times, actively promote bilateral and multilateral diplomacy, and always adhere to multilateralism. In recent years, there have been a series of bilateral agreements such as the Agreement on Scientific and Technological Cooperation between the Government of the People's Republic of China and the Republic of Bulgaria, the Joint Declaration with the Republic of Kazakhstan, the Intergovernmental Agreement on Road Transport in Asia, and the Second Amendment to the Asia-Pacific Trade Agreement. These agreements cover a wide range of areas, which also provide a strong legal guarantee for China to carry out comprehensive cooperation with countries and international institutions around the world. In the international community, appropriate measures should be taken in accordance with the provisions of international conventions and agreements, to strengthen peace and stability among nations, and to maintain the normal development of international relations. On the other hand, we should actively support and organize international organizations and hold international conferences regularly, such as the Shanghai Cooperation Organization, Boao Forum for Asia, Hangzhou G20 and the Belt and Road Summit. While enriching our diplomatic activities, we should give full play to the role of multilateral organizations, enhance China's influence and voice in the multilateral system, and thus achieve a pluralistic balance in international economic and political organizations, and strive to build a closer community of destiny and interests. For example, the 20th National Congress report organically combines China's rule of law concept, global governance concept and international rules. The report extensively promotes the interaction between international and domestic rule of law. focuses on international rule of law construction, abides by international conventions, fulfills international obligations, and promotes the spirit of contract, so as to promote international justice and righteousness, democratization, rule of law, and rationalization in the process of formulating and implementing international law, and to provide a favorable international legal environment for the "two hundred years" goal. It provides a favorable international legal environment for the "two hundred years" goal, and promotes the fair development of the international order and system [6].

## 4. Conclusion

In short, building a new type of international relations has become an important task for China's development, and whether China can coordinate the building of a new type of international relations, which not only affects our own development, but also has a bearing on the peaceful development of the whole world. The new type of international relations should be based on the principle of

harmony and win-win, taking into account the values as well as the principle of interests, with fairness and justice and common interests as the fundamental criteria. The practice of China's recent international relations construction has shown, China plays an irreplaceable role in the process of building a new type of international relations. Although the construction of this new type of international relations looks optimistic in general, it should be recognized that this new type of international relations does not arise naturally, but rather to realize the country's diplomatic philosophy and achieve a win-win situation. On the road of development in the future, China still has to face serious challenges, but the development trend of peace, development, cooperation and win-win situation will not change.

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