

Statement by Mr. PAN Xiongwen of the Chinese Delegation at the 30th Session of the United Nations Committee on Information $30 \, April \, 2008$

Mr. Chairman,

I would like to congratulate you, Mr. Andreas Baum, and Mr. Xavier Rosa, on your election as Chairman and Vice Chairman. I am confident that under your leadership, this Committee will continue to play an important role in formulating and reviewing the policies of the United Nations on public information.

China appreciates the informative presentation made at the commencement of the 30th session of the Committee on Information (COI) by the Under-Secretary-General for Communications and Public Information, Mr. Kiyotaka Akasaka.

I would like to thank and commend USG Kiyotaka Akasaka and the Department of Information (DPI) for Monday afternoon's interactive dialogue with representatives of Member States. Such dialogues are constructive, worthwhile and of significant help and value, particularly to new Members of the Committee and those who attend the COI session for the first time. The cons