2014 marks the 20th year anniversary of the era of Internet in China. Today, China has more than 600 million Internet users, accounting for nearly a quarter of the world’s total Internet users. There are four million websites in China and e-commerce annual turnover of 1.6 trillion US dollars. Three of the world’s ten largest Internet companies by market value are based in China.

To quote Minister Lu Wei’s keynote speech at the ICANN opening ceremony in London in June 2014, “The Internet is profoundly changing people’s live, promoting social progress, leading the development of the country, creating the world’s future.”

We, the undersigned, sincerely invite the leaders of the Chinese Internet Community to recognize the following generally acceptable Internet principles as a base upon which to build for the Internet in China:

* To preserve Internet as an innovation environment based on open and distributed architecture;
* To develop the Internet as an unified and unfragmented space based on end-to-end open Internet and deployment of IPv6;
* To promote open standards made by rough consensus of the global technical community;
* To uphold the security, stability and resilience of the Internet through strong cooperation among different stakeholders;
* To support future Internet governance building upon multi-stakeholder processes ensuring meaningful and accountable participation;

As Internet availability and use in China expands, not only will China benefit internally, it is poised to be a significant contributor to the Global Internet Community.  We look forward both to that occurring and to contributing to it.

Sincerely,

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