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Hon. Katie Hobbs
Governor of Arizona
Office of the Governor,
1700 W. Washington St.,
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Governor Katie Hobbs,

We're writing to express our serious concern on the announcement by the Taiwan authorities about the upcoming opening of its so-called "representative office" in Phoenix, Arizona. China firmly opposes any attempt to advocate "Taiwan independence" and challenge the one-China Principle. We request the State of Arizona to refute such an attempt by the Taiwan authorities and stop any gimmicks to harm the friendship and cooperation between China and the State of Arizona.

China's position on Taiwan question is clear and consistent. There is but one China in the world. Taiwan is an inalienable part of China's territory, and the Government of the People's Republic of China is the sole legal government representing the whole of China. The Taiwan question concerns China's sovereignty, which is the core of the core interests of China, the bedrock of the political foundation of China-U.S. relations, and the first red line that must not be crossed in China-U.S. relations. There is no gray zone or room for ambiguity on the Taiwan question.

In the Three Joint Communiqués between China and the U.S., the U.S. side made it clear that the United States of America "recognizes the People's Republic of China as the sole legal Government of China" and "acknowledges the Chinese position that there is but one China and Taiwan is part of China." The State of Arizona has the obligation to adhere to the spirit of the the Three Joint Communiqués and respect the one-China Principle.

China attaches importance to the long-standing cooperative relationship with the State of Arizona, and remains committed to its continued vitality. In this context, we hope that you and the State of Arizona will handle it from a long term perspective and object the opening of the so-called "representative office" by Taiwan authorities in Phoenix, Arizona.

Best regards,

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