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I send my warmest greetings to all those gathered in Washington, D.C., for the 2024 U.S.-China Business Council Gala.

For more than half a century, the U.S.-China Business Council has advanced economic and trade ties and advocated for a level playing field for United States companies in China. In the face of issues too big for any nation to solve alone, like the climate crisis and ensuring global food and health security, it is more important than ever that the United States and the People's Republic of China work together. I am thankful for the council's steadfast efforts to further these important conversations.

Throughout my time as President, I have maintained to President Xi Jinping that the United States is committed to responsibly managing competition between our countries. I am proud of the steps the United States and the People's Republic of China have taken toward that end, especially on counternarcotics cooperation; military-to-military communication; and strengthening cooperation in areas involving commercial, economic, and financial issues. Upholding global stability and delivering for the American people means using diplomacy to maintain productive conversations and engagement, including with competitors.

I appreciate the U.S.-China Business Council's legacy of supporting commercial relations between our two countries.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Joe Biden". The signature is stylized and written in cursive.