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Mr. Chair,

The Chinese delegation is delighted to have this opportunity of introducing to all of you information regarding the Chinese population experience, especially in terms of population distribution, urbanization, domestic migration and their impacts on development.

590 million urban population, up by 1.3 percentage points and 19.90 million, respectively, in the nearly 10-year period. Data for 2000 is

Year	Urban Population (Million)	Urban Population (% of Total)
1990	570.10	47.7%
1991	575.00	48.0%
1992	580.00	48.3%
1993	585.00	48.6%
1994	590.00	48.9%
1995	595.00	49.2%
1996	600.00	49.5%
1997	605.00	49.8%
1998	610.00	50.1%
1999	615.00	50.4%
2000	620.00	50.7%

socialist market economy system, such migration and mobility of the population will be further intensified. It is estimated that in the next 20-30 years, there still will be over 300 million migrating from rural to urban areas, pushing urbanization rate up to 53% in 2020. While the population reaches its peak, urban population will clime to 1 billion.

According to the 2005 survey data, population migration and mobility

pressure on employment and social security; persistent institutional

