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Press Statement on China's Bilateral Support to Zimbabwe

1. On the 19th of November 2019, the Chinese Embassy in Harare, queried figures captured in the 2020 National Budget Statement.
2. On the 20th of November 2019, officials from the Embassy of the People's Republic of China and the Government of Zimbabwe held a cordial meeting. The Government of Zimbabwe acknowledges the assistance received from the People's Republic of China on the following projects:
 - Upgrading of the Robert Gabriel Mugabe International Airport;
 - The New Parliament Building;
 - Rehabilitation of Hwange 7 and 8;
 - Cyclone Idai;
 - Mahusekwa District Hospital;
 - Food Aid; and
 - Borehole drilling programme.
3. Further, the People's Republic of China has provided the Republic of Zimbabwe with Loans and Grants for other projects.
4. The two sides have reached an agreement on the facts and figures contained in the Statement issued by the Embassy on the 19th of November 2019 and the 2020 National Budget Statement. The two sides agreed to continue working on a common accounting mechanism.
5. The Government of Zimbabwe appreciates the support it continues to receive from its all-weather friend, the People's Republic of China and acknowledges the determination of China to develop closer cooperation with Zimbabwe.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Mthuli Ncube'.

Hon. Prof. M. Ncube

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