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Excellency, DEAR ARARAT,

On the occasion of the thirtieth anniversary of the establishment of diplomatic relations between Czechia and Armenia, please accept my most sincere and cordial congratulations along with my best wishes for peace and prosperity for the Armenian people.

Allow me to highlight the existing relations of friendship and cooperation between our countries, which are developing in the spirit of harmony and mutual support in both the bilateral and multilateral dimensions. During the past thirty years we have forged consistent political relations and increased people-to-people connections. This anniversary also represents a firm commitment to explore the ways to further enhance our partnership. Let me assure you that I am prepared to work for stepping-up the high-level political dialogue between our countries in the coming months and years. I highly appreciate Armenia's active and consistent approach to the policy of the Eastern Partnership.

Sadly, the anniversary comes at the time of the Russian invasion of Ukraine, which poses a threat to all democracies at large. I am confident that such an aggressive stance must be stopped by the concerted action of all democratic countries. At the same time, I would like to assure you that the Czech Republic remains committed to supporting a peaceful and sustainable solution to the current difficult situation in your region.

Excellency, dear friend, please accept once again my best wishes for Armenia's prosperity and progress, together with the assurances of my highest consideration.

Sincerely yours,

His Excellency

Mr. Ararat Mirzoyan

Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia

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