REMARKS BY B.JARGALMAA MP, MEMBER OF THE MONGOLIAN-CZECH INTERPARLIAMENTARY GROUP AT THE NATIONAL DAY RECEPTION OF THE CZECH REPUBLIC

Your Excellency Ambassador Jiří Brodský, Distinguished guests, Ladies and gentlemen,

On the occasion of the national day of the Czech Republic, the 102nd anniversary of the independence of Czechoslovakia, I wish to extend my heartfelt congratulations to our trusted Czech friends and to all the distinguished guests gathered here.

This year marks the historic 70th anniversary of the establishment of diplomatic relations between our two countries. The Government of Mongolia is working attentively to broaden and develop the long-standing friendly relations and cooperation between Mongolia and the Czech Republic.

Mongolian and Czech ties have developed based on its shared values of human rights, freedom and democracy. Our bilateral relations enjoy dynamic development in various fields, such as environment protection, agriculture, energy, construction and education. Our people to people contact and mutual understanding is the basis for these developments.

The Government of Mongolia has endorsed numerous mid and long-term policy documents and guidelines to overcome the COVID-19 pandemic, diversify the economy and increase exports. With this in mind, we seek to further strengthen our trade and economic relations and broaden our mutually beneficial business partnership with the Czech Republic.

I would also like to note that our inter-parliamentary relations, which is one of our main pillars, is actively developing.

I take this opportunity to express my gratitude to the Czech side for extending a much needed support for repatriating Mongolians stranded in Czech Republic during the pandemic. I deeply thank your Your Excellency Ambassador Brodský for all your kind support on this matter.

Ladies and gentlemen,

International cooperation is vital in overcoming this difficult pandemic times. Please join me in a toast:

- To the progress and prosperity of the long-standing friendly relations and cooperation between our two countries,
- And to all your good health and well-being.