DEAR COLLEAGUES!

On behalf of the Board of Directors Members and on my own behalf, I would like to congratulate the management and all employees of Gazprom on a remarkable date: the Company's 30th anniversary!

Gazprom is an important company, the backbone of the Russian fuel and energy complex. It implements projects that are of strategic importance for developing the national economy and maintaining social stability in the country.

For more than 20 years, the Company has been under the management of Alexey Miller. Being a talented leader, Mr. Miller has formed a highly professional team, which is capable of meeting any objectives set. Largely due to this, Gazprom holds the top positions at the international level.

The Company deserves special credit for its extensive and active work on gas infrastructure expansion across Russia, which is particularly important for improving the quality of life in rural areas and for enhancing agricultural productivity. I would like to highlight that large-scale gas grid expansion helps strengthen both energy security and food security of Russia.

Another important activity of Gazprom is the development of the natural gas vehicle market. The number of gas filling stations and the volumes of gas used in cars and other vehicles have increased several-fold within the last decade. Russian President Vladimir Putin supported the creation of the State Program for the conversion of road, rail, sea, and river transport to natural gas as a vehicle fuel. This will make it possible for many sectors of economy to considerably cut fuel expenses and will make a significant contribution to the environmental well-being of the population.

May Gazprom successfully meet its planned targets, have new performance achievements, thrive and develop confidently for the benefit of Russia.

Russia's Special Presidential Representative for Cooperation with the Gas Exporting Countries Forum, Chairman of the Gazprom Board of Directors

Viktor Zubkov