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## The Fifth Annual "American Days Expo 2019" Hosted Over 60 Companies

ULAANBAATAR- The American Chamber of Commerce in Mongolia (AmCham Mongolia) in collaboration with the U.S. Embassy in Ulaanbaatar organized "American Days Expo" for the fifth year in Misheel Expo Center from August 24-25, 2019. The Expo was a success, hosting over 60 companies, 100 American brands, and over 3000 visitors.

The two-day exhibition is organized every year to showcase U.S. products and services to the public and to build awareness of the capacity of companies in Mongolian that are offering world-leading expertise and technology. American Days Expo is aimed to celebrate everything that is American, and to express appreciation for Mongolia's strong ally. The U.S. Embassy held workshops on the attainment of U.S. Visa, different types of Visas, and presented the various projects they are initiating to improve our two nation's people-to-people relations. They also held seminars on how to study in the U.S., how to attain scholarships and benefit from available programs.

The Opening Ceremony of American Days Expo 2019 was held on August 24th, where the Minister of Foreign Affairs His Excellency Tsogtbaatar Damdin, the U.S. Ambassador to Mongolia His Excellency Michael S. Klecheski, and AmCham Mongolia's Vice Chairman Gary Biondo gave speeches.

AmCham Mongolia's Vice Chairman Gary Biondo quoted, "Our members are leading the way for Mongolian businesses towards international standards, innovation, and prosperity. Thus, we organize this Expo to celebrate and promote the excellent work our members do in Mongolia."

The U.S. Ambassador to Mongolia H.E. Michael S. Klecheski stated, "We are always so pleased to collaborate with AmCham Mongolia. This Expo is to share knowledge, expertise, and services with the public. The Expo has also perfectly aligned after President Battulga's visit to the U.S. and the declaration of the Strategic Partnership."

The Mongolian Minister of Foreign Affairs H.E. Tsogtbaatar Damdin also recalled President Battulga's state visit and remarked, "During the visit, U.S.-Mongolia alliance reached the epitome of diplomatic relations. Following the Strategic Partnership, economic and commercial ties between our nations will also significantly expand. Compared to last year, this year's commercial relations have increased by 40 percent. But we still have a lot of room for improvement compared to the peak of 2012. American Days Expo is a crucial event through which we are beginning to re-awaken our potential."

American Days Expo 2019 was sponsored by AmCham Mongolia members Oyu Tolgoi LLC, Trade & Development Bank and Oriflame Mongolia. Media sponsors who graciously promoted the event were Bloomberg TV Mongolia, Forbes Mongolia, and MNB World.

## **About AmCham Mongolia**

AmCham Mongolia is an independent membership-driven organization that seeks to build, strengthen, and protect business between the United States and Mongolia, and to actively promote Mongolia as a destination for American investment. AmCham Mongolia is the official local affiliate of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, the largest business federation in the world with over 3 million member companies. AmCham Mongolia is also a member of the Asia-Pacific Council of American Chambers of Commerce, consisting of 29 American Chambers of Commerce in the Asia-Pacific region.