## Research on the Political Economy of Building A National Unified Market

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*Abstract:* Recently, the "Opinions of the CPC Central Committee and the State Council on accelerating the construction of a national unified market" was issued, emphasizing the acceleration of the establishment of a national unified market system rules, breaking local protection and market segmentation. Some scholars pointed out that for a long time, although China is a super large-scale country, it has not fully formed a super large-scale unified market, so that it cannot really have the competitive advantage of a super large-scale country. In order to explore the reasons that affect the formation of the national unified market, this paper studies the construction of the national unified market from the perspectives of "overall and strategic height" and "implementation problems and resistance" based on political economics.

# **1.** Accelerate the construction of the national unified market from the overall and strategic height

Accelerating the construction of a national unified market is an inevitable move to promote the unification of factor and resource markets, commodity and service markets with the unification of systems and rules, so as to give full play to the efficiency advantages of the market in resource allocation, make better use of China's super large-scale market advantages, and continuously enhance the driving force and vitality of China's development.

The opinions of the CPC Central Committee and the State Council on accelerating the construction of the national unified market (hereinafter referred to as the "opinions") adheres to breaking and building at the same time, and defines the overall requirements, main objectives and key tasks of accelerating the construction of the national unified market. It is the action program and scientific guide for the construction of the national unified market in the coming period. Accelerating the construction of a national unified market is the basic support and internal requirement of building a new development pattern, an important content and inevitable requirement of building a high-level socialist market economic system, and a major strategic task related to the overall development of our country. We must correctly understand and grasp this major theoretical and practical issue from the overall and strategic height of Chinese modernization and the construction of a new development pattern.

#### 2. Unblock the domestic circulation and promote the international circulation

On the new journey of building a modern socialist country in an all-round way, accelerating the construction of a new development pattern with the domestic cycle as the main body and the domestic and international double cycles promoting each other is an active choice made according to the changes in China's development stage, environment and conditions. It is a strategic choice to promote high-quality development and reshape China's new advantages in international cooperation and competition in the new development stage. It is related to China's development strategy in the 14th five year plan and the future Major strategic deployment of the development path. In this regard, General Secretary Xi stressed: "to accelerate the construction of a new development pattern is to enhance our viability, competitiveness, development and sustainability in all kinds of predictable and unpredictable storms and storms, so as to ensure that the great rejuvenation process of the Chinese nation is not delayed or even interrupted."

The key to building a new development pattern lies in the unimpeded economic cycle. General Secretary Xi pointed out: "to build a new development pattern, there is an urgent need to accelerate the construction of an efficient, standardized, fair competition, fully open national unified market, establish a national unified market system and rules, and promote the smooth flow of commodity factor resources in a wider range." The opinions clearly states that the main goal of accelerating the construction of a national unified market is to continue to promote the efficient and smooth domestic market and expand its scale, accelerate the creation of a stable, fair, transparent and predictable business environment, further reduce market transaction costs, promote scientific and technological innovation and industrial upgrading, and cultivate new advantages in participating in international competition and cooperation, which will help to smooth the domestic cycle and meet the needs of people's diversification Personalized and constantly upgrading the needs of a better life.

The foundation of building a new development pattern lies in building a national unified market. Only by effectively connecting the domestic market, opening up the channels from the improvement of market efficiency to the improvement of labor productivity, the increase of residents' income, the expansion of market players, the improvement of supply quality, and the optimization and upgrading of demand, and forming a benign interaction of mutual promotion of supply and demand and the simultaneous development of production and marketing, can we expand the scale and capacity of the market, give play to the advantages of the market in promoting competition and deepening the division of labor, and then form a strong domestic market, Promote the safety, stability and upgrading of the international cycle by unblocking and upgrading the domestic cycle.

In short, accelerating the construction of a national unified market is an inevitable move to promote the unification of factors and resource markets, commodity and service markets with the unification of systems and rules, so as to give full play to the efficiency advantages of the market in resource allocation, make better use of China's super large-scale market advantages, and continuously enhance the driving force and vitality of China's development; It is an active choice to adapt to the changes in China's development stage, environment and conditions, maintain strategic concentration and run our own affairs well in the complex international environment.

#### 3. Theoretical logic of accelerating the construction of a unified national market

Economic development depends on giving full play to the important role of the market in resource allocation, but it is by no means a spontaneous process, but depends on the benign interaction between the market, the government and society. In 1776, Adam Smith pointed out in the wealth of nations that on the one hand, we should give full play to the decisive role of the

market in resource allocation. On the other hand, we should give full play to the important role of the government: "first, protect the society from other independent societies. Second, try our best to protect individuals in the society from being infringed or oppressed by any other people in the society, that is, establish a strict judiciary. Third, build and maintain certain public utilities and public facilities."

Theoretically, the market can become the most efficient way to optimize the allocation of resources and promote economic development, which depends on a series of political prerequisites, social conditions and institutional basis: first, a safe and stable development environment and social conditions, no country can achieve the optimal allocation of resources and modern economic development in the midst of mountain and river fragmentation or social unrest. Second, everyone has relatively equal political and legal rights and socio-economic status at least in theory, so that they can rely more on individual efforts to improve their own situation. Third, each market subject faces the same market order and trading rules, different factors of production can flow freely, and all kinds of goods and services can be traded freely. Fourth, infrastructure to effectively reduce market transaction costs and promote factor flows and commodity transactions. Fifth, necessary government corrective measures and public services, so that individuals or market subjects who theoretically have equal rights and face the same rules will not damage the equality of rights and rules and the unity of the market system because of their inevitable factual differences or dominant positions.

Reviewing the great achievements and historical experience of the party in its hundred years of struggle, the main task of the new democratic revolution period is to strive for national independence and people's Liberation and create fundamental social conditions for China's development. In the period of socialist revolution and construction, when the market is difficult to give full play to its role, we use planning to replace the market for resource allocation, which not only has the objective reason of promoting the industrialization process on the basis of backward agricultural countries, but also has the subjective factor of insufficient experience in socialist construction and more reference to the traditional socialist model. In the new period of reform and opening up and socialist modernization, China has established the reform direction of the socialist market economic system to a dynamic socialist market economic system, greatly liberated and developed social productive forces, and created a miracle of rapid economic development and long-term social stability.

Since the 18th CPC National Congress, socialism with Chinese characteristics has entered a new era. The Third Plenary Session of the 18th CPC Central Committee clearly proposed to "deepen the reform of the economic system closely around the decisive role of the market in resource allocation", and stressed that "the core issue is to deal with the relationship between the government and the market, so that the market plays a decisive role in resource allocation and better play the role of the government". In May, 2014, when presiding over the 15th collective study of the Political Bureau of the 18th CPC Central Committee, General Secretary Xi pointed out that "making the market play a decisive role in resource allocation and giving better play to the role of the government is both a major theoretical proposition and a major practical proposition", "it is a new breakthrough in our party's understanding of the law of socialist construction with Chinese characteristics and a new achievement of the Sinicization of Marxism", It has laid a theoretical foundation for us to correctly understand and grasp the era topic of "accelerating the construction of a national unified market".

#### 4. Deepen market reform and create new advantages in international competition

The Fifth Plenary Session of the 19th CPC Central Committee made a systematic plan on how to make a good start in the comprehensive construction of a modern socialist country, and comprehensively outlined the path of Chinese modernization based on the new development stage, implementing the new development concept, building a new development pattern, and promoting high-quality development, At the same time, the key tasks of "forming a strong domestic market and building a new development pattern" and "comprehensively deepening reform and building a high-level socialist market economic system" were deeply expounded. In the new development stage, to build a new development pattern with the domestic cycle as the main body, we must take the unification of the market and the expansion of domestic demand as the strategic basis. This is by no means a short-term demand side management, but a medium-term strategic arrangement based on the great rejuvenation of the Chinese nation. We must base ourselves on the long-term and fundamental, adhere to the systematic concept, and carry out overall planning and deep-seated changes.

General Secretary Xi emphasized: "both theory and practice have proved that the market allocation of resources is the most efficient form. The market determines the allocation of resources is the general law of the market economy, and the essence of the market economy is the economy in which the market determines the allocation of resources." To speed up the construction of a unified national market, we must further deepen market-oriented reform, unblock the domestic cycle, accelerate the formation of a unified, open and orderly competitive market system, connect all links of production, distribution, circulation and consumption in the domestic market, break market monopoly, industry segmentation and local protection, break through the blockage of economic cycle, and remove institutional and institutional obstacles that hinder the market-oriented allocation of production factors and the circulation of goods and services, Build a high standard market system, land, knowledge, technology, management, data and other production factors contribute by market evaluation and determine remuneration according to their contributions, fully stimulate the vitality of various market entities, and strive to achieve higher quality, more efficient, fairer, more sustainable and safer development.

Accelerating the construction of a national unified market and a new development pattern is not a simple expansion of domestic demand, but to achieve a higher level of mutual promotion of double cycles on the basis of unblocking the domestic cycle. While forming a higher level of dynamic balance between demand and supply, we should deepen the supply side structural reform, organically combine the strategy of expanding domestic demand with the strategy of innovation driven development, rely on the domestic super large-scale market advantages and domestic demand potential, improve the ability of scientific and technological innovation, break through key core technologies, improve the modernization level of China's industrial chain supply chain, and maintain the stability, security and competitiveness of China's industrial chain supply chain, Then, on the basis of coordinating domestic and international development and security, realize the mutual promotion of domestic and international double cycles, and create new advantages in international cooperation and competition with a higher level of opening to the outside world.

In the new development stage, to promote the great rejuvenation of the Chinese nation with Chinese style modernization, we must give full play to the decisive role of the market in resource allocation and better play the role of the government, promote China's high-quality development in an unstable and uncertain world, and provide a more perfect institutional guarantee and a more solid material foundation for the great rejuvenation of the Chinese nation.

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