

President visits Cuban Genetical Engineering and Biotechnology Center

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On the sidelines of his official visit to the Republic of Cuba, President Ts.Elbegdorj legged the Cuban Center for Genetic Engineering and Biotechnology on September 16. Director of the center Elogio Pimentel and President of “BioCubaFarma” Group, Dr Carlos Gutierrez and other officials welcomed the Mongolian President to give tour around the facility.

The genetic engineering and biotechnology center has been initiated by the then-president of Cuba, Mr Fidel Castro, and was founded in 1982, for the purposes to combat overspread-in-developing-countries viruses and epidemic diseases.

The center manufactures anti- Hepatitis B and C interferon, Heberprot vaccine against chronic foot infection caused by diabetes, and medical preparations against meningitis and many other diseases, and exports its products to 38 countries.

The Havana branch of this center has more than 350 staff in 13 laboratories, divided in research departments of bio-medicine, genome and immunology, science and technology.

President Ts.Elbegdorj invited the center’s director to Mongolia, pledged his

support for the Mongolia-Cuba cooperation in agricultural and pharmaceutical industries.

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