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The 2024 Republican National Convention has reached its third day (July 17th) in the United States. The Democratic Progressive Party (DPP) Chairman's Special Assistant Chen Min-jen (陳明真), New Taipei

City Councilor Chen Nai-yu (陳乃瑜), Kaohsiung City Councilor Chiu Chun-Hsien (邱俊憲), Director of the DPP Youth Department Juan Chun-ta (阮俊達), and Director of the DPP Mission in the United States Sun-wen Iris Shaw (蕭舜文), are participating in a bipartisan delegation organized by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. They are seizing the opportunity to interact with attending dignitaries at the convention and surrounding events, reaffirming through numerous speakers' public remarks that both the Republican and Democratic parties in the United States place great importance on Taiwan issues.

Before the evening's convention, the delegation was invited to attend a lecture by Polaris National Security and the "Miami Meets Milwaukee" reception. Led by delegation head Chen Min-jen, they interacted with Polaris National Security founder Morgan Ortagus, Senator Lindsey Graham (R-SC), Senator Joni Ernst (R-IA), Representative Carlos Giménez (R-FL), and former White House National Security Advisor Robert O'Brien, expressing gratitude for their support of Taiwan.

New Taipei City Councilor Chen Nai-yu, a delegation member, stated that through firsthand observations, it is evident that Taiwan issues are indeed a focal point of international concern and continue to drive discussion in the U.S. elections. Many speakers at the Republican National Convention and surrounding seminars have proactively mentioned Taiwan. For instance, senior Republican Senator Lindsey Graham, who persuaded former President Trump to agree to significant arms sales to Taiwan, emphasized that "Taiwan matters" and that "America first is not America alone"—protecting Taiwan from aggression is crucial and aligns with U.S. security interests. Representative Carlos Giménez, who visited Taiwan last year, also said, "I am a big fan of Taiwan."

Kaohsiung City Councilor Chiu Chun-Hsien, another delegation member, noted that although the primary purpose of this trip is to observe the Republican National Convention and related activities, it is pleasantly surprising to see that representatives and envoys from various countries are also participating, which provides an excellent opportunity for increased interaction. Chiu believes that Taiwan, with its democratic and diverse political parties, can learn from the U.S. experience when planning significant internal party affairs. Actively arranging diverse peripheral exchanges and inviting more

international friends to participate can enhance the international interaction and engagement of Taiwan's democratic parties.

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