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China News

1. President Xi reaffirms China's commitment to peaceful development path

President Xi Jinping said on Wednesday September 19 that China would "unswervingly take the road of peaceful development and remain a builder of world peace, a contributor to global development and a defender of the international order."

Xi made the remarks in a congratulatory letter to the commemorative event in Nanjing marking the 2018 International Day of Peace.

Pointing out that peace has been universally aspired after and pursued by human society, Xi said that peace and development had become themes of the times, but countries still faced increasingly complex security threats and the lingering threat of war.

Further reading on the following websites:

http://www.xinhuanet.com/english/2018-09/19/c_137479505.htm

2. President Xi calls for focusing reforms on solving practical problems

Xi Jinping called for focusing reforms on solving practical problems on Thursday September 20.

Xi made the remarks while presiding over the fourth meeting of the Central Committee for Deepening Overall Reform, which he heads.

Both the importance and difficulty of reform lie in implementation, Xi said.

Further reading on the following websites:

http://www.china.org.cn/china/2018-09/21/content_63728181.htm

Chinese vice president stresses implementing new development philosophy

http://www.xinhuanet.com/english/2018-09/21/c_137484846.htm

China's economy posts steady growth, structural reform proceeds

http://english.scio.gov.cn/chinavoices/2018-09/17/content_63525699.htm

China adds 375 million jobs in past 40 years

<http://www.chinadaily.com.cn/a/201809/17/WS5b9f2aeda31033b4f46566bb.html>

3. President Xi:China willing to share opportunities in digital economy:

President Xi Jinping on Monday September 17 said China is willing to work together with other countries in the field of Artificial Intelligence (AI) to promote development, jointly safeguard security and share results.

Xi made the remarks in a congratulatory letter to the opening of the World Artificial Intelligence Conference in Shanghai.

Xi pointed out that the new generation of AI is flourishing all over the world, injecting new momentum into economic and social development and profoundly changing people's productivity and lifestyle.

Further reading on the following websites:

https://news.cgtn.com/news/3d3d514e32556a4d7a457a6333566d54/share_p.html

China's BeiDou system to provide danger alert service for global users

<https://www.shine.cn/news/nation/1809202500/>

4. Premier Li :China to take new measures on opening-up

China will further reduce the tariff duties on some imports, making the country's overall tariffs continue to fall, and gradually remove the unreasonable charges on imports, Premier Li Keqiang said on Wednesday September 19.

"It is the independent decision of China to open up its economy to promote domestic industrial transformation and upgrading, and to bring more options for domestic consumers," Li said at the opening ceremony of the Annual Meeting of the New Champions 2018, known as Summer Davos.

Further reading on the following websites:

<http://en.people.cn/n3/2018/0919/c90000-9501933.html>

**New growth drivers break new ground for Chinese economy:
Premier Li**

http://english.scio.gov.cn/topnews/2018-09/19/content_63630499.htm

**Premier Li holds dialogue with representatives attending
Summer Davos**

http://www.xinhuanet.com/english/2018-09/20/c_137482611.htm

**Full text of Premier Li Keqiang's speech at the Opening
Ceremony of the Annual Meeting of the New Champions 2018**

http://english.gov.cn/premier/speeches/2018/09/20/content_281476310641532.htm

**5. State Councilor Wang Yi reiterates China's adherence to peaceful
development, rules out hegemony**

China has always followed a path of peaceful development and has no intention to seek hegemony, State Councilor and Foreign Minister Wang Yi said on Sept 28.

Seeking external expansion has never been in the genes of the Chinese, Wang said in his speech titled “Opportunities or challenges, partner or rival?” at the Council on Foreign Relations, a New York-based think tank.

Further reading on the following websites:

http://english.gov.cn/state_council/state_councilors/2018/09/29/content_281476323428634.htm

**6. China releases white paper on facts and its position on trade
friction with U.S.**

China published a white paper on Monday September 24 to clarify the facts about China-U.S. economic and trade relations, demonstrate its stance on trade friction with the United States, and pursue reasonable solutions.

Further reading on the following websites:

http://www.xinhuanet.com/english/2018-09/24/c_137489841.htm

China's white paper 'quite effective' in outlining its trade stance: experts

http://www.xinhuanet.com/english/2018-09/26/c_137494448.htm

Full Text: The Facts and China's Position on China-U.S. Trade Friction

http://www.xinhuanet.com/english/2018-09/24/c_137490176.htm

7. China willing to cooperate with world in human rights

China has achieved unprecedented historic progress in the human rights cause and is willing to cooperate closely with all parties in the world human rights field, a senior Communist Party of China (CPC) official has said.

Huang Kunming, head of the Publicity Department of the CPC Central Committee, made the remarks in a speech at this year's Beijing Forum on Human Rights, which opened on Tuesday September 18.

Further reading on the following websites:

http://english.scio.gov.cn/topnews/2018-09/19/content_63613743.htm

2018 Beijing human rights forum closes

http://english.scio.gov.cn/scionews/2018-09/20/content_63670684.htm

8. The Ministry of Foreign Affairs Holds Event Presenting Shandong Province

On September 20, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs held the 15th promotion event presenting Chinese provinces, autonomous regions and municipalities under the theme of China in the New Era: New Shandong with New Growth Drivers, A Win-Win for the World at the Blue Hall of the Ministry.

Further reading on the following websites:

https://www.fmprc.gov.cn/mfa_eng/zxxx_662805/t1598863.shtml

China-UK Relations

1. Vice Foreign Minister Le Yucheng Gave an Exclusive Interview to Financial Times on the Belt and Road Initiative

On September 10, Vice Foreign Minister Le Yucheng sat down with Jamil Anderlini, the Asia Editor of the Financial Times, for an exclusive interview on the Belt and Road Initiative. The Financial Times published the interview on September 25.

The full transcript is at the following link:

https://www.fmprc.gov.cn/mfa_eng/wjbxw/t1598897.shtml

2. Ambassador Liu Xiaoming: China's policy of deeper reform and further opening up and the UK's effort of building a "global Britain" create huge potential for cooperation

On September 27, the Embassy held a reception to mark the 69th Anniversary of the Founding of the People's Republic of China.

In his [speech](#) at the event, Ambassador Liu Xiaoming elaborated on the significance of China's reform and opening up as this year also marks the 40th anniversary of the policy. He went on to point out that China's policy of deeper reform and further opening up and the UK's effort of building "global Britain" create huge potential for further cooperation across the board between the two countries. He called on both sides to make efforts to keep up the momentum of the steady and sustained development of China-UK "Golden Era".

3. Ambassador Liu Xiaoming Shares Insights on How to Ensure the Steady and Sustained Development of China-UK "Golden Era"

The Politics First Magazine published in its autumn party conference issue a signed article by Ambassador Liu Xiaoming entitled [*How to Ensure the Steady and Sustained Development of the China-UK "Golden Era"*](#).

Ambassador Liu draws on his experiences of a tenure spanning more than eight years as Chinese Ambassador to the UK and points out that the "Golden Era" is not a matter of contingency but the strategic consensus of China and the UK; it is not an empty slogan but has witnessed many

concrete “golden fruits”; it is not “mission accomplished” but continues to drive forward China-UK cooperation with new and huge opportunities.

4. Ambassador Liu Xiaoming: China Stays Committed to Peaceful Development

On September 19, Ambassador Liu Xiaoming made a [keynote speech](#) at the Annual Commonwealth Diplomats Induction Programme at the Commonwealth Secretariat.

In his speech, Ambassador Liu stressed that China's development will make the world a more peaceful and better place. He further elaborated that China has promoted peace through its own development; China has upheld peace through inclusive cooperation; China has supported peace through adhering to international rules; China has maintained peace through pursuing the greater good and shared interests and that China has safeguarded peace through holding the bottom line.

5. Ambassador Liu Xiaoming: China Can't Let the Law of the Jungle Harm World Trade

On October 4, the Daily Telegraph and its website published a signed article by Ambassador Liu Xiaoming entitled *China Can't Let the Law of the Jungle Harm World Trade*.

In his article, Ambassador Liu shared insights on the US-China trade friction and stated that China should not take the blame for the wrongs of the US.

The full text is at the following link:

<http://www.chinese-embassy.org.uk/eng/EmbassyNews/t1602070.htm>

6. Ambassador Liu Xiaoming talks about the South China Sea Issue: No One Should Underestimate China's Will and Determination

On September 19, Ambassador Liu Xiaoming attended the Annual Commonwealth Diplomats Induction Programme and delivered a speech. In the speech, Ambassador Liu talked about the South China Sea issue. He said,

“Despite all the recent hyping-up, the facts speak for themselves: Thanks to the concerted efforts of China and ASEAN countries, the situation in the South China Sea is improving; relevant parties have returned to the right track of addressing disputes through negotiation and consultation; the relations between China and relevant countries have been sound and stable. China and ASEAN countries are working on the full and effective implementation of the Declaration on the Conduct of Parties in the South China Sea. We are actively advancing the consultation on the Code of Conduct in the South China Sea (COC). Agreement was reached between China and ASEAN countries recently on a single draft negotiating text of the COC. This has fully demonstrated that countries in the region have the confidence, capability and wisdom to deal with the South China Sea issue properly and achieve enduring stability, development and prosperity.”

Further reading on the following websites:

<http://www.chinese-embassy.org.uk/eng/EmbassyNews/t1597697.htm>

7. Ambassador Liu Xiaoming talks about Sino-US trade disputes: Win-win Cooperation is the Only Right Path toward a Better Future

On September 19, Ambassador Liu Xiaoming attended the Annual Commonwealth Diplomats Induction Programme and delivered a speech. He talked about Sino-US Trade Disputes, pointing out that some country is bent on “putting itself first”, advocating unilateralism and protectionism, wielding the “tariffs baton” and threatening other countries with “trade wars”. This has posed severe challenges to the world economic order and the multilateral trade regime.

Further reading on the following websites:

<http://www.chinese-embassy.org.uk/eng/EmbassyNews/t1597701.htm>

8. Chinese journalist freed after incident at UK Conservative Party fringe

China's state broadcaster China Central Television (CCTV) of the China Media Group (CMG) announced on the evening of October 1 that its Europe-based journalist Kong Linlin, who had been detained following a scuffle at a Conservative Party event in the UK, has been released with no charges.

Further reading on the following websites:

<http://www.chinese-embassy.org.uk/eng/zywl/t1601512.htm>

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