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China News

1. Book of Xi's discourses on building a community with a shared future for humanity published

A book of Comrade Xi Jinping's discourses on "promoting the building of a community with a shared future for humanity" has been published by the Central Party Literature Press.

The book, which was compiled by the Party History and Literature Research Institution of the Communist Party of China (CPC) Central Committee, will be distributed across the country.

The book includes 85 speeches on the subject between January 2013 and June 2018 delivered by President Xi, who is also general secretary of the CPC Central Committee and chairman of the Central Military Commission.

A statement provided to Xinhua News Agency said that since the 18th CPC National Congress in 2012, Xi had thoroughly pondered major issues concerning the future of humanity, such as "what kind of the world to build and how," and profoundly expounded on key issues including the background, significance, connotation and approach of building a community with a shared future for humanity.

Further reading on the following websites:

http://www.xinhuanet.com/english/2018-10/14/c_137532446.htm

2. Chinese leaders urge more efforts to promote mass entrepreneurship, innovation

China will channel more energy into mass entrepreneurship and innovation to push forward high-quality development, said Premier Li Keqiang.

Li made the remarks on October 9 in a written instruction to the opening ceremony of the national mass entrepreneurship and innovation week, held in Chengdu, southwest China's Sichuan Province.

China's emphasis on entrepreneurship and innovation has played a positive role in unleashing innovation potential, stimulating market vitality, and creating jobs in recent years, Li said, adding more efforts are

required to better implement the country's innovation-driven development strategy and help realize quality development.

He said the governments will work to further streamline administration and improve services, step up protection of intellectual property rights, and build a market-oriented, law-based, and internationalized environment for entrepreneurs and innovators.

Further reading on the following websites:

http://www.xinhuanet.com/english/2018-10/10/c_137521633.htm

3. Chinese premier's visit to strengthen Asia-Europe connectivity, openness

In an effort to bolster regional cooperation and connectivity amid the growing trend of isolationism and protectionism, Chinese Premier Li Keqiang traveled to Tajikistan, the Netherlands and Belgium for visits and inter-governmental meetings.

Li embarked on a nine-day Eurasian trip on October 10. Besides official visits, the premier will attend the 17th meeting of the Council of Heads of Government of the Shanghai Cooperation Organization (SCO), as well as the 12th Asia-Europe Meeting (ASEM) summit.

From Dushanbe, the central area of the Eurasian continent, to Brussels, home to the European Union (EU) headquarters, the crucial diplomatic move shows China's efforts and desire to search for more opportunities and consolidate consensus with its partners to build a more cooperative, open and integrated region.

Further reading on the following websites:

http://www.xinhuanet.com/english/2018-10/11/c_137525191.htm

4. Premier Li Keqiang delivered a speech at SCO meeting

On October 12, Premier Li delivered a speech at the 17th meeting of the Shanghai Cooperation Organization Council of Heads of Government in Dushanbe .

The full text of the speech on the following websites:

http://www.xinhuanet.com/english/2018-10/13/c_137529019.htm

5. Yang Jiechi urges US to stop damaging its interests, calling for win-win cooperation

China urged the United States to immediately correct wrongdoings and stop actions damaging its rights and interests, calling on the two major countries to "follow the right path of win-win cooperation, rather than go astray toward conflict and confrontation."

Yang Jiechi, director of the Office of the Foreign Affairs Commission of the Communist Party of China (CPC) Central Committee, made the remarks while meeting with visiting U.S. Secretary of State Mike Pompeo on October 8.

Noting the current China-U.S. ties were at a critical phase, Yang, a member of the Political Bureau of the CPC Central Committee, said China had "openly demonstrated its position and lodged solemn representations to the U.S. side on the negative remarks it had made against China."

He said China would firmly safeguard its sovereignty, security and development interests.

Further reading on the following websites:

http://www.xinhuanet.com/english/2018-10/09/c_137518887.htm

6. China unveils plan to further tap consumption potential

The State Council, China's cabinet, announced on October 9 a public plan to improve the mechanisms for promoting residential consumption between 2018 and 2020.

The plan, released by the General Office of the State Council, maps out ways to remove the most direct and prominent system-and mechanism-related barriers that hinder residential consumption, in order to further stimulate consumption potential.

Further reading on the following websites:

http://english.scio.gov.cn/topnews/2018-10/12/content_65831911.htm

7. Wang Yi: China and the US should stick to the right path of win-win cooperation and avoid straying into conflict and confrontation

On October 8, State Councilor and Foreign Minister Wang Yi met with US Secretary of State Michael R. Pompeo in Beijing.

Wang Yi said that China and the US should stick to the right path of win-win cooperation and avoid straying into conflict and confrontation.

Further reading on the following websites:

https://www.fmprc.gov.cn/mfa_eng/zxxx_662805/t1602530.shtml

8. Interview with Xinjiang government chief

Correspondents at Xinhua News Agency have recently interviewed Shohrat Zakir, chairman of the Government of Xinjiang Uygur Autonomous Region, on counterterrorism and the vocational education and training program in the region.

The full transcript of the interview on the following websites:

http://www.xinhuanet.com/english/2018-10/16/c_137535720.htm

China-UK Relations

1. President Xi hails UK business leaders' ice-breaking trip

President Xi Jinping reaffirmed China's stance on supporting free trade and economic globalization while meeting with a British delegation on October 16.

Xi met with Stephen Perry, chairman of the 48 Group Club, a British organization composed of company leaders promoting Britain-China trade, at the Great Hall of the People in Beijing. The group provides consultancy services to British companies entering China's markets.

Xi spoke highly of the efforts made by Jack Perry — the late founder of the pioneering London Export Corp and father of Stephen— in the 1950s when the British entrepreneur led a group of 48 businessmen from the United Kingdom to visit China despite the trade barriers with the West during the Cold War.

The trip became known as the "Ice-breaking Mission", and the club members called themselves "icebreakers". The 48 Group Club now has more than 500 members.

"It was a remarkable move," Xi said, while commenting on the ice-breaking trip made by the British business delegation "in those difficult times".

Further reading on the following websites:

<http://www.chinadaily.com.cn/a/201810/17/WS5bc63774a310eff303282b9b.html>

Policy and Position

1. China urges US to stop 'unwarranted slandering and accusations'

On October 9, China urged the United States to stop "unwarranted slandering and accusations" and to put an end to words and deeds that undermine Sino-U.S. relations.

Foreign Ministry spokesperson Lu Kang made the remarks at a daily news briefing when asked for further comment on the U.S. leader's recent allegations that China is "interfering in" the 2018 mid-term U.S. elections, just one day after U.S. Secretary of State Mike Pompeo's visit to China.

"From the very beginning we have made it clear that China will not accept groundless accusations as such," Lu said. As a diplomatic tradition, China has been committed to the principle of non-interference, and takes no interest in interfering in the United States' internal affairs, he added.

Further reading on the following websites:

http://www.xinhuanet.com/english/2018-10/09/c_137520606.htm

2. China's development stems from reform and opening-up: MOC

On October 11, the Ministry of Commerce (MOC) said China's development stems from its continued efforts to advance reform and opening-up.

The comments were made in response to remarks that attributed China's development to investment from the United States.

"We never deny that investment from the United States helps China's development, but the country's development ultimately relies on its opening-up and reform and the endeavors of its people," said MOC spokesperson Gao Feng.

Further reading on the following websites:

http://www.xinhuanet.com/english/2018-10/12/c_137526348.htm

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