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China News

1. President Xi Jinping Attends the Opening Ceremony of the FIBA

Basketball World Cup 2019

On the evening of Aug.30, President Xi Jinping attended the opening ceremony of the FIBA Basketball World Cup 2019 at the National Aquatics Center (Water Cube) in Beijing. He declared the opening of the FIBA Basketball World Cup 2019.

Further reading on the following website:

https://www.fmprc.gov.cn/mfa_eng/zxxx_662805/t1693962.shtml

2. Chinese Premier arrives in Russia for official visit

On Sept. 16, Chinese Premier Li Keqiang arrived in St. Petersburg for a three-day official visit to Russia. During the visit, Li and Russian Prime Minister Dmitry Medvedev will co-chair the 24th regular meeting between Chinese and Russian heads of government.

Further reading on the following website:

http://www.xinhuanet.com/english/europe/2019-09/16/c_138396333.htm

http://www.xinhuanet.com/english/2019-09/18/c_138399432.htm

http://www.xinhuanet.com/english/2019-09/18/c_138399532.htm

http://www.xinhuanet.com/english/2019-09/18/c_138401013.htm

http://www.xinhuanet.com/english/2019-09/19/c_138402690.htm

3. State Councilor and Foreign Minister Wang Yi will attend the general debate of the 74th session of the UN General Assembly

The 74th session of the UN General Assembly will open at the UN Headquarters in New York on September 17 and the General Debate will be held from September 24, along with high-level events including the Climate Action Summit and the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) Summit. State Councilor and Foreign Minister Wang Yi will head a delegation to attend the General Debate and the Climate Action Summit and the UN SDG Summit as President Xi Jinping's special representative, and hold a series of multilateral and bilateral activities. He will expound on what China has gone through and achieved over the past 70 years since the founding of the new China, elaborate on China's stance and proposition on the current international landscape and major international and regional issues, demonstrate China's staunch support for multilateralism and the UN with the aim of promoting exchange and cooperation between China and the rest of the world, including with international organizations.

4. The Ministry of Foreign Affairs Holds Event Presenting Hunan Province

On Sep. 12, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs held the 20th promotion event presenting Chinese provinces, autonomous regions, and cities under the theme of "China in the New Era: Innovative Hunan Embracing the World" at the Blue Hall of the Ministry. State Councilor and Foreign Minister Wang Yi delivered a speech.

Further reading on the following website:

<http://www.chinese-embassy.org.uk/eng/zgyw/t1698316.htm>

<http://www.chinese-embassy.org.uk/eng/zgyw/t1699300.htm>

5. Wider opening-up attracts more FDI into China

On Aug. 13, the Ministry of Commerce (MOC) announced FDI into the Chinese mainland expanded 7.3 percent year on year to 533.14 billion yuan in the January-July period. These were hard-earned against the backdrop that the global FDI flows have declined for three consecutive years. Meanwhile, the quality of the FDI inflow has optimized with more capital flowing into the high-tech sector. Overseas companies still love doing business in China and their confidence can be boosted by China's new round of opening-up measures.

Further reading on the following website:

http://www.xinhuanet.com/english/2019-08/13/c_138306497.htm

6. Diplomats from 7 countries visit Xinjiang

Ambassadors and envoys from seven countries, including Laos, Cambodia, the Philippines, Nepal, Sri Lanka, Bahrain and Nigeria visited Xinjiang Uygur Autonomous Region from Aug. 19 to 21 at the invitation of the regional government. They positively evaluated the Chinese government's efforts in promoting local economic development and improving people's livelihood, safeguarding citizens' freedom of religious belief, as well as combating and preventing terrorism in accordance with the law, saying that Xinjiang's successful experience is worth learning. During the foreign diplomats' visit to Turpan City Vocational Education and Training Center, they attended the classes,

watched the students' sports activities, and asked many teachers and students about the curriculum, accommodation and food, as well as health care conditions. They said that the students here are happy, relaxed and upbeat about their future.

Further reading on the following website:

http://www.xinhuanet.com/english/2019-08/23/c_138332822.htm

7. UN envoys from 8 countries visit Xinjiang

A delegation of UN envoys from eight countries, including Yemen, Equatorial Guinea, Mozambique, Zambia, Cote d'Ivoire, South Africa, Ethiopia and Zimbabwe has visited northwest China's Xinjiang Uygur Autonomous Region to gain a better understanding of the region's achievements from de-radicalization to poverty eradication, between Aug. 28 and Sept. 1 upon the invitation of China's foreign ministry. They visited a jade and jewelry industrial park that combines ancient craftsmanship and 3D printing and a company that produces degradable packaging film. They also were introduced to a local campaign to reduce poverty with mushroom farming and several village-run garment factories. At the vocational education and training centers in Hotan and Kashgar, the envoys had face-to-face talks with students and teachers. They also visited one graduate's family .

Further reading on the following website:

http://www.xinhuanet.com/english/2019-09/03/c_138362493.htm

8. China makes headway in poverty reduction

China has made historic achievements in fighting poverty over the past decades, making the country a major contributor to the world's poverty reduction endeavors.

Further reading on the following website:

http://www.xinhuanet.com/english/2019-08/13/c_138306337.htm

9. China releases overall plan on new western sea-land

transportation channel

China has released an overall plan about the country's new western sea-land transportation channel to deepen the sea-land two-way opening-up and the development of western China, according to the National Development and Reform Commission.

The plan covers the period from 2019 to 2025 with an outlook extended to 2035. The new western sea-land transportation channel is located in the hinterlands of the western regions, connecting the Silk Road Economic Belt from the north, the 21st Century Maritime Silk Road from the south and the Yangtze River economic belt.

Further reading on the following website:

http://www.xinhuanet.com/english/2019-08/15/c_138311848.htm

10. China to build Shenzhen into socialist demonstration area

China will build the southern city of Shenzhen into a pilot demonstration area of socialism with Chinese characteristics. By 2025, Shenzhen will become one of the leading cities in the world in terms of economic strength and quality of development. Its research and development input, industrial innovation capacity, and the quality of its public services and ecological environment will be first-rate in the world.

Further reading on the following website:

http://www.xinhuanet.com/english/2019-08/18/c_138318765.htm

http://www.xinhuanet.com/english/2019-08/22/c_138329599.htm

11. China announces six new pilot free trade zones

On Aug. 26, China announced a master plan for six new pilot free trade zones (FTZ) in a strategic move to press ahead with reform and opening up in the new era. The new pilot FTZs will be located in the six provincial regions of Shandong, Jiangsu, Guangxi, Hebei, Yunnan and Heilongjiang, according to the plan released by the State Council.

Further reading on the following website:

http://www.xinhuanet.com/english/2019-08/26/c_138339603.htm

12. China sends new naval fleet for escort mission

On Aug. 29, the 33rd fleet from the Chinese People's Liberation Army (PLA) Navy left the port city of Qingdao in east China's Shandong Province for the Gulf of Aden to escort civilian ships. The PLA Navy began to carry out escort missions in the Gulf of Aden and the waters off Somalia in December 2008. Over the past decade, the Chinese navy has dispatched 106 vessels and over 28,000 officers and soldiers to escort more than 6,700 Chinese and foreign ships.

Further reading on the following website:

http://www.xinhuanet.com/english/2019-08/29/c_138348595.htm

China-UK Relations

1. UK Prime Minister Sent Message of Congratulation to the 70th Anniversary of the Founding of the People's Republic of China

On Sep 9, Prime Minister Boris Johnson of the UK sent a message of congratulation to the Chinese Embassy reception marking the 70th Anniversary of the Founding of the People's Republic of China.

Further reading on the following website:

<http://www.chinese-embassy.org.uk/eng/zywl/t1696960.htm>

2. China urges UK to stop its interference in China's internal affairs

On Aug 10, China urged the UK to stop its interference in China's internal affairs and stop making random and inflammatory accusations on Hong Kong. The Spokesperson of the British Foreign Office said that Foreign Secretary Raab had a phone call on Aug. 9 with Chief Executive

Carrie Lam of the Hong Kong SAR on the situation in Hong Kong. When asked to comment on the call, Chinese Foreign Ministry Spokesperson Hua Chunying said the UK has no sovereignty, jurisdiction or right of supervision over Hong Kong . Affairs of Hong Kong brook no foreign interference.

Further reading on the following website:

http://www.xinhuanet.com/english/2019-08/10/c_138299353.htm

3. Ambassador Liu Xiaoming : A Fusion of East and West

On Aug. 29, Ambassador Liu Xiaoming made a speech entitled A Fusion of East and West at A Polaris String Quartet Concert in Celebration of the 70th Anniversary of the People's Republic of China.

The Ambassador pointed out the three important messages that was carried by the concert.

The full transcript of the speech on the following website:

<http://www.chinese-embassy.org.uk/eng/EmbassyNews/t1693089.htm>

4. Ambassador Liu Xiaoming: US tariffs will inflict as much damage on America as they will on China

On Sep. 2, The Daily Telegraph carried an article by Ambassador Liu Xiaoming entitled The US has shot itself in the foot but a trade deal is still within reach. The newspaper's website published the article under the title US tariffs will inflict as much damage on America as they will on China.

The ambassador pointed out the three keys to reach a deal on China US trade talks.

The full text of the article on the following website:

<http://www.chinese-embassy.org.uk/eng/EmbassyNews/t1693922.htm>

5. Ambassador Liu Xiaoming: Come together to Build Three

Platforms

On Sep. 3, Ambassador Liu Xiaoming made a speech entitled Come together to Build Three Platforms at the Market Open in honour of the World Chinese Entrepreneurs Convention (WCEC) coming to London.

The Ambassador pointed out the significance of WCEC.

The full transcript of the speech on the following website:

<http://www.chinese-embassy.org.uk/eng/EmbassyNews/t1694249.htm>

6. Ambassador Liu Xiaoming: Pursue Green Development and

Write a New Chapter of Financial Cooperation

On Sep. 3, Ambassador Liu Xiaoming made a speech entitled Pursue Green Development and Write a New Chapter of Financial Cooperation at the AFCA International Forum for Green Finance (London) & AFCA Green Finance Practice Report 2019 Launching Event.

The Ambassador said green finance has three-fold significance for China and the UK.

The full transcript of the speech on the following website:

<http://www.chinese-embassy.org.uk/eng/EmbassyNews/t1694258.htm>

7. Ambassador Liu Xiaoming: Produce New Outcomes and Provide

New Impetus

On Sep. 3, Ambassador Liu Xiaoming made a speech entitled Produce New Outcomes and Provide New Impetus at the Official Banquet of the China-UK Business Leaders Forum.

The Ambassador shared his views on how to achieve greater progress in China-UK financial cooperation.

The full transcript of the speech on the following website:

<http://www.chinese-embassy.org.uk/eng/EmbassyNews/t1694663.htm>

8. Ambassador Liu Xiaoming: Shoulder Common Responsibilities and Bridge the "Peace Deficit"

On Sep. 5, Ambassador Liu Xiaoming made a speech entitled Shoulder Common Responsibilities and Bridge the "Peace Deficit" at the Meeting with the Defence Correspondents' Association.

The Ambassador shared his views on what China and the world can do to bridge the “peace deficit”.

The full transcript of the speech on the following website:

<http://www.chinese-embassy.org.uk/eng/EmbassyNews/t1695060.htm>

9. Ambassador Liu Xiaoming: Remain True to Our Original Aspiration and Write A New Splendid Chapter

On Sep. 9, Ambassador Liu Xiaoming made a speech entitled Remain True to Our Original Aspiration and Write A New Splendid Chapter at the Reception in Celebration of the 70th Anniversary of the Founding of the People's Republic of China.

The ambassador pointed out that tremendous changes that have taken place in China in the past 70 years, while China has been unwavering in its national spirit and values. He also shared his views on how to ensure the steady and sustained development of China-UK relations in the future.

The full transcript of the speech on the following website:

<http://www.chinese-embassy.org.uk/eng/EmbassyNews/t1696138.htm>

10. Ambassador Liu Xiaoming: Play the Notes For Consensus and Strength

On Sep. 16, Ambassador Liu Xiaoming made a speech entitled Play the Notes For Consensus and Strength at the Reception of China Night Concert by the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra.

The ambassador said the concert is significant in playing three special notes.

The full transcript of the speech on the following website:

<http://www.chinese-embassy.org.uk/eng/EmbassyNews/t1698242.htm>

11. Ambassador Liu Xiaoming: A Shining New Era for China's Greatest Treasures

On Sep. 18, Ambassador Liu Xiaoming made a speech entitled A Shining New Era for China's Greatest Treasures at the Showcase Event for the Documentary China's Greatest Treasures.

The ambassador said this documentary has three-fold significance.

The full transcript of the speech on the following website:

<http://www.chinese-embassy.org.uk/eng/EmbassyNews/t1699100.htm>

12. Ambassador Liu Xiaoming: Know the Real China and Build A Bridge of Friendship

On Sep.19, Ambassador Liu Xiaoming made a speech entitled Know the Real China and Build A Bridge of Friendship at Harrow School.

The Ambassador shared his views on China and his hope for the students to build the bridge of friendship between the two countries.

The full transcript of the speech on the following website:

<http://www.chinese-embassy.org.uk/eng/EmbassyNews/t1699693.htm>

Policy and Position

1. China releases white paper on vocational education and training in Xinjiang

On Aug. 16, China issued a white paper on vocational education and training in Xinjiang.

The full text on the following website:

http://www.xinhuanet.com/english/2019-08/16/c_138313359.htm

2. China publishes white paper on progress of women's cause in 70 years

On Sept. 19, the State Council Information Office of the People's Republic of China published a white paper titled "Equality, Development and Sharing: Progress of Women's Cause in 70 Years Since New China's Founding."

The full text on the following website:

http://www.xinhuanet.com/english/2019-09/19/c_138405494.htm

3. China issues white paper on human rights progress over 70 years

On Sept. 22, China published a white paper entitled "Seeking Happiness for People: 70 Years of Progress on Human Rights in China,".

The full text on the following website:

[http://www.scio.gov.cn/zfbps/32832/Document/1665085/1665085.
htm](http://www.scio.gov.cn/zfbps/32832/Document/1665085/1665085.htm)