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# 1. China to take steps to stabilize economic activity, bring economy back to normal track

China will adopt a package of measures to stabilize economic performance, in an effort to get the economy back to normal track and keep major economic indicators within an appropriate range, according to a decision made at the recent State Council's Executive Meeting chaired by Premier Li Keqiang.

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# 2. President Xi Jinping calls for unprecedented efforts to improve global environmental governance

On June 5<sup>th</sup>, Chinese President Xi Jinping said that the international community should work together with unprecedented ambition and action to strive for a fair and reasonable system of global environmental governance featuring win-win cooperation and promote the sustainable development of humanity. He made the remarks in a congratulatory letter to the World Environment Day events held in Islamabad, Pakistan.

http://www.xinhuanet.com/english/2021-06/05/c\_139990824.htm

#### 3. President Xi Jinping Delivers Written Remarks at the Second

#### **China-Pacific Island Countries Foreign Ministers' Meeting**

On May 30, 2022, President Xi Jinping delivered written remarks at the second China-Pacific Island Countries (PICs) Foreign Ministers' Meeting.

Xi Jinping stressed, maintaining peace and stability in the Asia-Pacific and promoting development and prosperity of all countries are a shared aspiration of the people in the region as well as a common responsibility of regional countries. China is ready to work with PICs to strengthen the confidence in tackling challenges together, build up consensus on jointly seeking development, form

synergy for shaping the future together, and join hands to build an even closer China-PICs community with a shared future. <a href="https://www.fmprc.gov.cn/eng/zxxx\_662805/202205/t20220530\_106">https://www.fmprc.gov.cn/eng/zxxx\_662805/202205/t20220530\_106</a> 94608.html

Wang Yi Talks about China's "Four-pronged Adherence" to Developing Relations with Pacific Island Countries <a href="https://www.fmprc.gov.cn/mfa\_eng/zxxx\_662805/202205/t2022052">https://www.fmprc.gov.cn/mfa\_eng/zxxx\_662805/202205/t2022052</a> <a href="https://www.fmprc.gov.cn/mfa\_eng/zxxx\_662805/202205/t2022052">https://www.fmprc.gov.cn/mfa\_eng/zxxx\_662805/202205/t202205/t202205/</a> <a href="https://www.fmprc.gov.cn/mfa\_eng/zxxx\_662805/202205/t20205/t202205/t20205/t2

China's Position Paper on Mutual Respect and Common Development with Pacific Island Countries

<a href="https://www.fmprc.gov.cn/mfa\_eng/zxxx\_662805/202205/t2022053">https://www.fmprc.gov.cn/mfa\_eng/zxxx\_662805/202205/t2022053</a>

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# 4. Vice Foreign Minister Ma Zhaoxu briefs the media on the visit of UN High Commissioner for Human Rights to China

https://www.fmprc.gov.cn/mfa\_eng/wjbxw/202205/t20220528\_10694065.html

#### 5. Shanghai returning to normal as epidemic wanes

As of June 1, Shanghai has largely returned to normal production and life after two months of closed-off management to contain the COVID-19 resurgence.

https://english.news.cn/20220602/b5e816bd84b2468abb5f5deea5d7 5f86/c.html

#### 6. China achieves biggest sci-tech progress in past decade

On June 7<sup>th,</sup> Wang Zhigang, Chinese minister of science and technology made the remarks at a press briefing in Beijing that the past decade has witnessed China's biggest progress in science and technology, with the country climbing to the 12th position on the global list of most innovative economies, up from the 34th place in 2012.

https://news.cgtn.com/news/2022-06-06/China-achieves-biggest-scitech-progress-in-past-decade-Minister-1aEe7x5zFqU/index.html

#### **China-UK Relations**

# 1. Embassy Spokesperson's Remarks on the Wrong Comments on China by the UK Foreign Secretary Liz Truss

http://gb.china-embassy.gov.cn/eng/PressandMedia/Spokepersons/20 2205/t20220530 10694233.htm

#### **Important Terms about China**

#### 1. Five Concepts for Development

China's new development philosophy emphasizes five concepts, i.e. innovative, coordinated, green, open, and inclusive development. Innovative development focuses on new drivers for development; coordinated development addresses imbalances in development; green development highlights the importance of harmony between man and nature; open development means pursuing development in the context of a closer relationship with the rest of the world; and inclusive development is aimed at promoting social equity and justice.

#### 2. Advocate of World Peace

China always pursues an independent foreign policy of peace, advocates and practices the Five Principles of Peaceful Coexistence and resolutely opposes hegemony and power politics. We never provoked a war or conflict or taken an inch of other country's land. China always advocates peaceful political settlement of disputes, firmly opposes the willful use or threat of use of force in international affairs, and actively participates in the political settlement of major regional hot spot issues. So far, China has sent more than 50,000 people to UN peacekeeping operations and become the second largest contributor to UN peacekeeping budget and the largest troop contributor to peacekeeping operations among the five permanent members of the Security Council. China actively

participates in the process of international arms control and disarmament, and has joined more than 20 international arms control treaties.

#### 3. Contributor to Global Development

China has become the main stabilizer and power house of world economic growth, and its contribution to world economic growth has remained at around 30% in recent years. China actively implements the UN 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, takes the lead in international cooperation on climate change, and promotes a more inclusive and sustainable global development. China has fully fulfilled its commitment on acceding to the World Trade Organization, promoted trade and investment liberalization and facilitation, and served as an important driving force for an open world economy. At present, many of the world's top 500 companies are based in China. China's big market provides great opportunities for countries around the world.

#### 4. Defender of the International Order

China's foreign policy adheres to the purpose and principles of the UN Charter, including sovereign equality of all countries, non-interference in a country's internal affairs, peaceful settlement of disputes, and prohibition of the use of force or the threat of force. China has advocated the Five Principles of Peaceful Coexistence, which embody the spirit of the Charter and have become recognized norms in international relations. China has participated extensively in the resolution of global hot spot issues. It has initiated the six-party talks aimed at realizing the denuclearization of the Korean Peninsula. It has been promoting the process of political dialogue on hot issues such as the Iranian nuclear issue, and is deeply involved in international cooperation on counter-terrorism and drug control, maintaining cyber security, and addressing climate change. China has actively fulfilled its international responsibilities and obligations. Since the founding of the People's Republic of China, the country has concluded more than 23,000 bilateral treaties and agreements, joined more than 400 multilateral treaties, and participated in almost all intergovernmental international organizations in the world.

#### China in my eyes

#### 1. Our China Stories | Episode 3: David Buckley

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xipLh42jylU&list=PL3SL223bZ UcqhsKOFBssAJbXi1ue0cJM5&index=4

#### 2. Our China Stories | Episode 4: Nicky Harman

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Sg8mBrjFMLI&list=PL3SL223 bZUcqhsKOFBssAJbXi1ue0cJM5&index=5

#### 3. Our China Stories | Episode 5: James Trapp

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wDIDLLaRvUM&list=PL3SL2 23bZUcqhsKOFBssAJbXi1ue0cJM5&index=6

#### **Pictures of China**

### China's first deep-sea floating wind turbine "Fuyao" towed in China's Guangdong

https://english.news.cn/20220530/b9be2b0d97764e84acdaf09958b09aec/c.html

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