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1. SCIO briefing on China's economic performance in first quarter of 2020

The State Council Information Office held a press conference on April 17 in Beijing to brief the media on China's economic performance in the first quarter of 2020.

Further reading on the following website:

http://english.scio.gov.cn/pressroom/2020-04/18/

<u>content_75948633.htm</u>

2. China's search for safest path to growth amid COVID-19 control

At a time when the world economy is plagued by the coronavirus pandemic, policymakers across the globe are faced with the same dilemma: how to get the economy back on track amid containment of the virus? With new cases dwindling, China is among the very first countries that are able to explore ways of restarting its economic engine while keeping the virus under control, offering the world insights into when to restart an economy and how.

Further reading on the following website:

http://www.xinhuanet.com/english/2020-04/24/c_139005145.htm http://www.xinhuanet.com/english/2020-04/21/c_138995606.htm http://www.xinhuanet.com/english/2020-04/14/c_138976121.htm

3. China's Hubei cleared of confirmed COVID-19 cases

On Apr.26, Hubei, the province hardest hit by the novel coronavirus in central China, was cleared of confirmed novel coronavirus disease (COVID-19) cases, the provincial health commission said. The last 12 patients on that day were cured and discharged from hospitals in Wuhan, the provincial capital and former epicenter of the epidemic, bringing the existing number of COVID-19 cases in the province to zero.

Further reading on the following website:

http://www.xinhuanet.com/english/2020-04/27/c 139012252.htm

4. SCIO briefing on scientific research into COVID-19

The State Council Information Office held a press conference on April 27 in Beijing to brief the media about scientific research into COVID-19.

Further reading on the following website:

http://english.scio.gov.cn/pressroom/2020-04/30/content 75993567.htm

5. China became the world's top patent filer in 2019

The State Council Information Office held a press conference in Beijing on Thursday to brief the media on the development of China's intellectual property rights in 2019.

Further reading on the following website:

http://english.scio.gov.cn/pressroom/2020-04/25/

content 75975380 2.htm

6. 3rd CIIE to highlight public health, epidemic prevention

On April 21, the organizers of China International Import Expo (CIIE) said, dozens of global enterprises have confirmed participation in the newly-set public health and epidemic prevention section in the third CIIE slated for November.

Further reading on the following website:

http://www.xinhuanet.com/english/2020-04/22/c_138996725.htm

China-UK Relations

1. Chinese vice premier talks with British chancellor of the Exchequer on bilateral cooperation

On Apr.9, Chinese Vice Premier Hu Chunhua held a phone conversation with British Chancellor of the Exchequer Rishi Sunak on advancing bilateral cooperation on epidemic prevention and economic development.

Hu said that the Chinese side stands ready to work with the British side to implement the consensus reached by the two leaders, deepen practical cooperation in such fields as epidemic prevention and finance. He expressed hope that the two sides will further strengthen cooperation under the framework of the United Nations and the Group of 20, promote macroeconomic policy coordination, cut tariff, remove barriers, and facilitate the flow of trade, so as to maintain the stability of the global industrial supply chain and promote sustainable growth of the world economy.

Sunak thanked China for its support and assistance, adding that Britian stands ready to strengthen bilateral cooperation in epidemic prevention, economy and finance through channels like the China-UK EFD, so as to continuously advance bilateral relations.

Further reading on the following website:

http://www.chinese-embassy.org.uk/eng/zywl/t1768446.htm

2. Ambassador Liu Xiaoming: China has valuable lessons for the world in how to fight Covid-19

On 28 April, Financial Times published an article by Ambassador Liu Xiaoming entitled China has valuable lessons for the world in how to fight Covid-19 on its website.

The ambassador gave China's answer on how to win the battle against the virus.

Further reading on the following website:

http://www.chinese-embassy.org.uk/eng/dshdjjh/t1774386.htm

3. Ambassador Liu Xiaoming: Confidence and solidarity will see us through to final victory

On 23 April, Ambassador Liu Xiaoming attended an Asia House webinar and delivered a keynote speech entitled Confidence and solidarity will see us through to final victory.

The ambassador answered three questions in his speech: What does China's experience mean to the global response to Covid-19? Will China continue to be an engine for world economic growth in the context of the pandemic? Why does China believe international solidarity is the most effective weapon against the virus?

Further reading on the following website:

http://www.chinese-embassy.org.uk/eng/dshdjjh/t1772961.htm

Special Report

China's fight against COVID-19

China Watch Institute, a China Daily think tank, interviewed more than 60 Chinese and international public health experts and scholars in other fields to compile this report in collaboration with the Institute of Contemporary China Studies at Tsinghua University and the School of Health Policy and Management at Peking Union Medical College. This report presents a preliminary summary of what China has achieved in its fight against the virus.

The full text on the following website:

https://covid-19.chinadaily.com.cn/a/202004/21/

WS5e9e2c62a3105d50a3d17880.html

http://www.chinadaily.com.cn/pdf/2020/

Chinas.Fight.Against.COVID-19-0420-final-2.pdf

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