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1. State Councilor and Foreign Minister Wang Yi had a phone conversation with U.S. Secretary of State Antony Blinken

On August 29, 2021, State Councilor and Foreign Minister Wang Yi had a phone conversation with U.S. Secretary of State Antony Blinken at the latter's request. The two sides exchanged views on the situation in Afghanistan and China-U.S. relations. Wang Yi noted that China resolutely opposes the so-called investigation report on COVID-19 origins tracing produced by the U.S. intelligence community recently.

Further reading on the following website:

https://www.fmprc.gov.cn/mfa_eng/zxxx_662805/t1902967.shtml

 Statement by Vice Foreign Minister Ma Zhaoxu on Release of US Intelligence Report on COVID-19 Origins

China firmly opposes the US intelligence report on Covid-19 origins and has lodged stern representations to the US side. Vice Foreign Minister Ma Zhaoxu of China made a statement on release of US intelligence report on Covid19 origins.

Following is the full text of the Statement, issued on August 28th https://www.fmprc.gov.cn/mfa_eng/wjbxw/t1902709.shtml Ambassador Chen Xu Addressed to Director-General of the WHO on SARS-CoV-2 Origin-tracing.

On August 24, Ambassador Chen Xu, Permanent Representative of China to the UN Office at Geneva and other International Organizations in Dr. Tedros Adhanom Ghebrevesus, Switzerland, wrote to the Director-General of the World Health Organization, further reiterating China's consistent position on the issue of SARS-CoV-2 origin-tracing, emphasizing that the hypothesis of "introduction of SARS-CoV-2 into human population was caused by lab leak in the Wuhan Institute of Virology" is extremely unlikely, which is the definite conclusion made in the WHO-convened Global Study of Origins of SARS-CoV-2: China Part, Joint WHO-China Study Team Report.

Further reading on the following website:

https://www.fmprc.gov.cn/mfa_eng/wjb_663304/zwjg_665342/zwbd_6653 78/t1901679.shtml

 Chinese FM Spokesperson listed 7 credible reasons for Covid-19 origins investigation in the US.

Further reading on the following website:

https://twitter.com/ChineseEmbinUK/status/1431378488079142912

 Full text: Doubtful Points about FortDetrick (U.S. Army Medical Research Institute of Infectious Disease) https://news.cgtn.com/news/2021-08-26/Full-text-Doubtful-Points-about-F ort-Detrick-USAMRIID--1323OC7GDgA/index.html

 Full text: Coronavirus Research Conducted by Dr. Ralph Baric's Team at University of North Carolina

https://xhnewsapi.xinhuaxmt.com/share/news_pc?id=600817848393728&s howType=3002&utdId=null&version=2.5.0&clientMarket=huawei&client Market=huawei

 The International Department of the CPC Central Committee released a special issue -- China Insight -- exposing the US Covid19 origin tracing report.

Read the issue here:

http://www.bjreview.com/2021pdf/ChinaInsight_suyan6.pdf

8. CBD COP15 will be convened in two parts in Kunming.

As decided by the Bureau of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD) and approved by the Chinese government, the 15th meeting of the Conference of the Parties (CBD COP15) to the Convention on Biological Diversity will be convened in two parts.

Further reading on the following website:

http://www.chinese-embassy.org.uk/eng/PressandMedia/Spokepersons/t190 0956.htm

China-UK Relations

1. Wang Yi Speaks with British First Secretary of State and Foreign Secretary Dominic Raab on the Phone at Request

On August 19, 2021, State Councilor and Foreign Minister Wang Yi had a phone conversation with British First Secretary of State and Foreign Secretary Dominic Raab at request. Both sides exchanged views on the situation in Afghanistan and China-Britain relations.

Further reading on the following website:

http://www.chinese-embassy.org.uk/eng/zywl/t1900969.htm

2. Ambassador Zheng Zeguang Meets with Winner of Chinese Government's Friendship Award Alistair Michie

On 17 August, Ambassador Zheng Zeguang met with Alistair Michie, the winner of Chinese Government's Friendship Award, Chair of the International Council of Centre for China and Globalisation (CCG), and Business and Government Advisor to Hampton Group. The two sides exchanged views on China-UK people-to-people exchanges and practical cooperation.

Further reading on the following website:

http://www.chinese-embassy.org.uk/eng/dshdjjh/t1901772.htm

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1. The Publicity Department of the Communist Party of China Central Committee on 26th August released a key publication on the Party's mission and contributions.

The full text is as follows:

http://english.scio.gov.cn/topnews/2021-08/26/content_77715570.htm

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