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#### **China News**

#### 1. Written Statement by Xi Jinping at the World Leaders

#### **Summit COP26**

On November 1st, Chinese President Xi Jinping delivered a written statement to the World Leaders Summit at the 26th session of the Conference of the Parties (COP26) to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change.

The full text of the statement is as follows: <a href="http://www.news.cn/english/2021-11/01/c\_1310284288.htm">http://www.news.cn/english/2021-11/01/c\_1310284288.htm</a>

### Important documents on China's position on climate change:

Working Guidance for Carbon Dioxide Peaking and Carbon

Neutrality in Full and Faithful Implementation of the New Development Philosophy

https://en.ndrc.gov.cn/policies/202110/t20211024\_1300725.htm

Action Plan for Carbon Dioxide Peaking Before 2030 <a href="http://english.www.gov.cn/policies/latestreleases/202110/27/co">http://english.www.gov.cn/policies/latestreleases/202110/27/co</a> ntent WS6178a47ec6d0df57f98e3dfb.html

White Paper: Responding to Climate Change: China's Policies and Actions

http://www.scio.gov.cn/zfbps/32832/Document/1715506/17155 06.htm

2. Xi Jinping Attends and Delivers a Keynote Speech at the Leaders' Summit of the 15th Meeting of the Conference of the

#### Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity

On October 12, President Xi Jinping attended the Leaders' Summit of the 15th Meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity (COP15) held in Kunming via video link and delivered a keynote speech. He said we shall take the development of ecological civilization as our guide to coordinate the relationship between man and Nature, let green transition drive our efforts to facilitate global sustainable development, concentrate on bettering people's well-being to promote social equity and justice and take international law as the basis to uphold a fair and equitable international governance system.

Further reading on the following website:

https://www.fmprc.gov.cn/mfa\_eng/zxxx\_662805/t1914754.shtml https://www.cop15news.com/en/latest/2021-10/16/c 1211406987.ht

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White Paper: Biodiversity Conservation in China <a href="http://english.scio.gov.cn/node\_8026515.html">http://english.scio.gov.cn/node\_8026515.html</a>

3. Xi Jinping Attends the Conference Marking the 50th Anniversary of the Restoration of the Lawful Seat of the

#### People's Republic of China in the United Nations and Delivers

#### an Important Speech

On October 25, President Xi Jinping attended the conference marking the 50th anniversary of the restoration of the lawful seat of the People's Republic of China in the United Nations and delivered an important speech in Beijing. He highlighted that the past five decades since New China restored its lawful seat in the United Nations have witnessed China's peaceful development and its commitment and dedication to the welfare of all humanity. In the world today, we should vigorously advocate the common values of humanity, jointly promote the building of a community with a shared future for mankind, stay committed to mutual benefit and win-win results, step up cooperation, and work together to address the various challenges and global issues facing humanity and resolutely uphold the authority and standing of the United Nations, and work together to practice true multilateralism.

Further reading on the following website:

https://www.fmprc.gov.cn/mfa eng/zxxx 662805/t1916577.shtml

Position Paper on China's Cooperation with the United Nations <a href="https://www.fmprc.gov.cn/mfa\_eng/wjdt\_665385/wjzcs/t1916141.sh">https://www.fmprc.gov.cn/mfa\_eng/wjdt\_665385/wjzcs/t1916141.sh</a> tml

#### 4. Xi Jinping Attends 16th G20 Leaders' Summit and Delivers

#### an Important Speech

On October 30, President Xi Jinping attended the 16th G20 Leaders' Summit and delivered an important speech in Beijing via video link. He put forward five suggestions

Further reading on the following websites:

https://www.fmprc.gov.cn/mfa\_eng/zxxx\_662805/t1918153.shtmlhttps://www.fmprc.gov.cn/mfa\_eng/zxxx\_662805/t1918246.shtmlhttps://www.fmprc.gov.cn/mfa\_eng/zxxx\_662805/t191826.shtmlhttps://www.fmprc.gov.cn/mfa\_eng/zxxx\_662

#### 5. 130th session of the China Import and Export Fair, also

known as the Canton Fair

On October 14<sup>th</sup>, the fair opened in Guangzhou, South China's Guangdong province. President Xi Jinping sent a congratulatory letter. Premier Li Keqiang Attends the Opening Ceremony of the Fair and the Pearl River International Trade Forum and Stresses China Will Always Expand Opening-up and Promote Free Trade to Share Opportunities with the World for Greater Development.

Further reading on the following website:

https://www.chinadaily.com.cn/a/202110/14/WS6167ebd3a310cdd3 9bc6eff0.html

https://www.fmprc.gov.cn/mfa\_eng/zxxx\_662805/t1914855.shtml

#### 6. Wang Yi Co-chairs the 11th Round of China-EU High-level

#### Strategic Dialogue with EU High Representative for Foreign

#### **Affairs and Security Policy Josep Borrell Fontelles**

On September 28, State Councilor and Foreign Minister Wang Yi co-chaired the 11th round of high-level strategic dialogue between China and the European Union (EU) with EU High Representative for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy Josep Borrell Fontelles via video link. Wang Yi said, both China and the EU believe that bilateral exchanges should be based on mutual respect, seeking common ground while shelving differences, expanding cooperation and reducing antagonism, upholding the international order based on the UN Charter and international law, and jointly addressing common challenges such as COVID-19 pandemic and climate change. Borrell said, the EU regards China as an important strategic partner and the bilateral relations are mature, multi-faceted and non-confrontational. Developing relations with China is an important agenda of the EU, and it is very important for the EU and China to maintain close and smooth communication.

Further reading on the following websites:

 $\underline{https://www.fmprc.gov.cn/mfa\_eng/zxxx\_662805/t1911169.shtml}$ 

#### 7. MFA Holds the Event of Presenting Tibet to the World

On October 20, the Event of MFA Presenting Tibet to the World was held at Lanting of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MFA) with the theme of "China on a New Journey: A New Chapter of Development for a Happy New Tibet". State Councilor and Foreign

Minister Wang Yi attended and addressed the event. Wang Yi stressed that during the past 70 years, Xizang has upended its situation by transforming itself from a backward, impoverished and isolated society to a progressive, prosperous and open one. The extraordinary achievements made in Xizang are a splendid chapter in the rejuvenation of the Chinese nation, and important evidence of China's specific modernization path.

Further reading on the following websites:

https://www.fmprc.gov.cn/mfa\_eng/zxxx\_662805/t1915872.shtml https://www.fmprc.gov.cn/mfa\_eng/zxxx\_662805/t1915777.shtml

#### 8. The Overall National Economy Maintained the Recovery

#### **Momentum in the First Three Quarters**

http://www.stats.gov.cn/english/PressRelease/202110/t20211018\_18 22968.html

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

### 1. Xi Jinping Speaks with British Prime Minister Boris Johnson on the Phone

On October 29, President Xi Jinping had a phone conversation with British Prime Minister Boris Johnson. Xi Jinping pointed out that, China and Britain, both as permanent members of the United Nations (UN) Security Council and major economies in the world, should maintain sound communication, strengthen cooperation, and make contributions so that the world will triumph over the pandemic at an early date, improve global governance and achieve development and prosperity. Johnson said, I highly value Britain's relations with China, and agree with President Xi Jinping's views on the development of Britain-China relations. The two countries have the consensus and common interests on many important issues, such as global public health, world economic recovery, the Iranian nuclear issue and anti-terrorism.

Further reading on the following website:

https://www.fmprc.gov.cn/mfa\_eng/zxxx\_662805/t1917984.shtml

#### 2. Wang Yi Speaks with British Foreign Secretary Elizabeth

#### Truss on the Phone at Request

On October 22, State Councilor and Foreign Minister Wang Yi had a phone conversation with new British Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs Elizabeth Truss at the latter's request. Wang Yi said that China and Britain are both permanent members of the United Nations (UN) Security Council, and the development of China-Britain relations goes beyond the bilateral scope and has crucial impacts on regional and international situations. The two countries should maintain strategic communication, deepen mutual understanding, jointly manage differences, and push forward sound and stable development of bilateral ties. Truss said that for Britain and China, both permanent members of the UN Security Council, it is important to maintain regular communication. The two countries should strengthen high-level exchanges and strategic communication, deepen mutual understanding and practical cooperation in various fields, and push forward the development of their bilateral relations.

Further reading on the following website:

https://www.fmprc.gov.cn/mfa eng/zxxx 662805/t1916437.shtml

#### 3. Ambassador Zheng Zeguang Attends High-level Virtual

#### Dialogue between HRH The Prince of Wales and Chinese

#### **Business Leaders**

On October 12, Chinese Ambassador of the UK Zheng Zeguang was invited to attend and speak at the high-level video dialogue between HRH The Prince of Wales and Chinese business leaders. He called on Chinese and British business communities to actively expand practical cooperation both at the bilateral level and in third markets along the Belt and Road so as to realise green and low-carbon development for China, for the UK and for the relevant third party, and contribute to global ecological civilization.

Further reading on the following website:

http://www.chinese-embassy.org.uk/eng/dshdjjh/t1914322.htm

#### 4. Ambassador Zheng Zeguang Attends Online Joint Press

### Conference by Ministry of Ecology and Environment of China and Chinese Embassy in the UK

On October 19, the Ministry of Ecology and Environment of China and the Chinese Embassy in the UK co-hosted an online press conference on the issues of biodiversity and climate response. Mr Xie Zhenhua, China's Special Envoy for Climate Change, Mr Zhao Yingmin, Vice Minister of the Ministry of Ecology and Environment of China, and HE Zheng Zeguang, Chinese Ambassador to the UK delivered speeches and answered questions from the journalists.

Further reading on the following website:

http://www.chinese-embassy.org.uk/eng/dshdjjh/t1915435.htm

# 5. Ambassador Zheng Zeguang contributes an article to The Guardian entitled "China will honour its climate pledges - look at the changes we have already made"

On 27 October, the website of The Guardian carried an article by Ambassador Zheng Zeguang entitled "China will honour its climate pledges - look at the changes we have already made", in which Ambassador Zheng expounded on China's stance and policy on climate change.

The full text is as follows:

http://www.chinese-embassy.org.uk/eng/dshdjjh/t1917271.htm

### 6. Ambassador Zheng Zeguang Made Remarks at The Responsible Energy Forum 2021

On October 28, Ambassador Zheng Zeguang attended via video link The Responsible Energy Forum 2021 hosted by the Rothchild Foundation and delivered remarks. He said China is committed to developing clean and low-carbon energy, taking concrete actions to address climate change and hopes to promote cooperation with the UK on green development.

Further reading on the following website:

http://www.chinese-embassy.org.uk/eng/dshdjjh/t1918020.htm

#### **Policy and Facts**

#### 1. White Paper: China's Epic Journey from Poverty to

#### **Prosperity**

Further reading on the following websites: <a href="http://english.scio.gov.cn/node-8026390.html">http://english.scio.gov.cn/node-8026390.html</a>

#### 2. The 56th Press Conference of Xinjiang Uygur Autonomous

#### **Region on Xinjiang-related Issues**

Further reading on the following websites: http://english.ts.cn/system/2021/10/03/036706625.shtml

### 3. The 57th Press Conference of Xinjiang Uygur Autonomous Region on Xinjiang-related Issues

Further reading on the following websites: <a href="http://english.ts.cn/system/2021/10/13/036715190.shtml">http://english.ts.cn/system/2021/10/13/036715190.shtml</a>

## 4. Full text: National Human Rights Action Plan of China (2016-2020)

http://english.www.gov.cn/archive/publications/2016/09/29/content\_2814

#### 75454482622.htm

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