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POLITICAL ISSUES

ISRAEL

1) China, Israel announces innovative Comprehensive partnership.

Beijing, Tuesday, 21 March 2017

In Beijing Chinese President Xi Jinping and Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu announced an innovative comprehensive partnership between the two countries. The establishment of the partnership would boost the bilateral relations and provide scope for further cooperation.

Source: Xinhua, Beijing

http://news.xinhuanet.com/english/2017-03/21/c_136146441.htm

2) Netanyahu calls cooperation in innovation between China, Israel a blessing for all.

Beijing, Thursday, 23 March 2017

Israeli Prime Minister Netanyahu expressed his appreciation for the recent comprehensive partnership in innovation between China and Israel and described the cooperation as "marriage made in heaven." The partnership reflects Israel's willingness to expand its presence in Chinese markets.

Source: Xinhua, Beijing

http://news.xinhuanet.com/english/2017-03/24/c_136152738.htm

SAUDI ARABIA

3) Belt and Road Initiative helps Saudi Arabia realize "Saudi Vision 2030": Ambassador. Beijing, Tuesday, 14 March 2017

Saudi Ambassador to China Turki Bin Mohamed Al-Mady stated that the proposed Belt and Road Initiative is expected to make "creative" contributions, helping Saudi Arabia realize its "Saudi Vision 2030" plan.

Source: Xinhua, Beijing

http://news.xinhuanet.com/english/2017-03/14/c_136127713.htm

4) China and Saudi Arabia agrees to boost all-round strategic partnership.

Beijing, Thursday, 16 March 2017

Saudi Arabian King Salman on a state visit met Chinese President Xi Jinping and both sides agreed to enhance their all-round strategic partnership and cement bilateral cooperation in international and regional affairs.

Source: Xinhua, Beijing

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http://news.xinhuanet.com/english/2017-03/16/c_136134528.htm

5) China and Saudi Arabia signs MoU to boost economic ties.

Beijing, Thursday, 16 March 2017

Business representatives from China and Saudi Arabia gathered in Beijing to sign 21 memorandums of understandings (MoUs), covering sectors such as IT, energy and construction. *Source: Global Times, Beijing*

http://www.globaltimes.cn/content/1038192.shtml

TUNISIA

6) Tunisian Ambassador welcomes Chinese tourists and investors.

Beijing, Sunday, 5 March 2017

Attracting tourists to Tunisia has been one of the major priorities for the Tunisian Ambassador to China Dhia Khaled and he is looking forward to enhance Chinese presence in Tunisia.

Source: Global Times, Beijing

http://www.globaltimes.cn/content/1036070.shtml

ECONOMIC ISSUES

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7) BOE cooperates with Cnoga to launch new products.

Beijing, Thursday, 16 March 2017

BOE Technology Group and Cnoga would jointly launch two multi-parameter portable medical devices MTX and COG after its purchase of a 23.81 per cent share of the Israeli developer and manufacturer of medical devices.

Source: China daily, Beijing

http://www.chinadaily.com.cn/regional/bda/2017-03/16/content_28578744.htm

MULTILATERAL

8) Middle East situation is at crucial crossroads: Chinese FM.

Beijing, Wednesday, 8 March 2017

Chinese Foreign Minister Wang Yi while addressing a press conference expressed his concern for the situation in Middle East and said that the Middle East situation is at the crucial crossroads.

Source: Xinhua, Beijing

http://news.xinhuanet.com/english/2017-03/08/c_136112298.htm

9) The Belt and Road Initiative has exceeded expectations.

Beijing, Monday, 27 March 2017

The Belt and Road has the participation of more than 100 countries and international organizations, with over 40 signing cooperation agreements. China hopes to boost Belt and Road cooperation with Middle Eastern countries, as development is both the root and solution to thorny issues in the conflict-torn region.

Source: Xinhua, Beijing

http://news.xinhuanet.com/english/2017-03/27/c_136162138.htm

MISCELLANEOUS

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10) World's highest glass bridge offers free admission for Israeli tourists

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Changsha, Wednesday, 22 March 2017

As a part of the celebration of 25th anniversary of diplomatic ties between China and Israel, central Hunan Province, has scrapped entrance fee for Israeli tourists for the year 2017. The act intended to pay tribute to the skywalk's Israeli designer Haim Dotan. *Source: Xinhua, Beijing*

http://news.xinhuanet.com/english/2017-03/22/c_136148471.htm

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