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POLITICAL ISSUES

EGYPT

1. China expects stability in Egypt

Beijing, Monday, 26 November 2012

China hopes Egypt could maintain political and social stability despite recent violent clashes in the country, a Foreign Ministry spokesperson said.

Source: Xinhua, Beijing

http://news.xinhuanet.com/english/china/2012-11/26/c_132000364.htm

IRAN

2. Dialogue, cooperation "the only right way" to resolve Iranian nuclear issue: Chinese FM spokesperson

Beijing, Tuesday, 6 November 2012

China has called on the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA), the five permanent members of the UN Security Council and Germany to enhance their dialogue and cooperation with Iran to resolve the nuclear issue.

Source: Xinhua, Beijing

http://news.xinhuanet.com/english/china/2012-11/06/c_131955211.htm

See also: Source: Xinhua, Beijing

http://news.xinhuanet.com/english/china/2012-11/19/c_131985317.htm

3. China hopes Iran fully implements relevant UN resolutions on nuclear issue

Vienna, Thursday, 29 November 2012

China's delegation to the United Nations in Vienna said that China hopes that Iran would fully implement the relevant resolutions of the UN Security Council on the nuclear issue.

Source: Xinhua, Beijing

http://news.xinhuanet.com/english/china/2012-11/30/c_132008322.htm

ISRAEL

4. China voices grave concern over Israeli military operation in Gaza

Beijing, Thursday, 15 November 2012

China voiced its "grave concern" over Israel's large-scale military operation in the Gaza Strip, urging Israel to maintain "maximum restraint."

Source: Xinhua, Beijing

http://news.xinhuanet.com/english/china/2012-11/15/c_131977021.htm

5. China urges restraint, ceasefire in Gaza

Beijing, Monday, 19 November 2012

A spokesperson for China's Foreign Ministry called for Israel and other parties concerned in the ongoing Gaza Strip conflict to exercise calm in the developing situation.

Source: Xinhua, Beijing

http://news.xinhuanet.com/english/china/2012-11/19/c_131984832.htm

6. China hails Israeli-Palestinian ceasefire agreement

Beijing, Thursday, 22 November 2012

China welcomed the Gaza ceasefire agreement and condemned the bus bombing in Tel Aviv, Foreign Ministry spokesperson Hua Chunying told reporters.

Source: Xinhua, Beijing

http://news.xinhuanet.com/english/china/2012-11/22/c_131993012.htm

LIBYA

7. China urges new Libyan government to promote political transition

United Nations, Wednesday, 7 November 2012

China called on the new Libyan government to rally its people to promote political transition to achieve national stability and prosperity.

Source: Xinhua, Beijing

http://news.xinhuanet.com/english/world/2012-11/08/c_123927094.htm

PALESTINE

8. China reiterates its support for Palestine's UN bid

Beijing, Tuesday, 13 November 2012

A Chinese Foreign Ministry spokesperson voiced the country's support for Palestine's bid for observer state status in the United Nations and called on Palestine and Israel to resolve the issue through political consultation.

Source: Xinhua, Beijing

http://news.xinhuanet.com/english/china/2012-11/13/c_131971499.htm

9. Abbas sends envoy to China over Gaza conflict

Ramallah, Wednesday, 21 November 2012

Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas sent an envoy to China to brief China on the Israeli aerial offensive in the Gaza Strip, which has entered the eighth day, a Palestinian official said.

Source: Xinhua, Beijing

http://news.xinhuanet.com/english/world/2012-11/22/c_123983645.htm

10. China backs Arab states' efforts to ease Gaza tensions: FM spokesperson

Beijing, Wednesday, 21 November 2012

China backs the mediation efforts made by Egypt and other Arab states and the League of Arab States to ease the current situation in Gaza, Foreign Ministry spokesperson Hua Chunying said.

Source: Xinhua, Beijing

http://news.xinhuanet.com/english/china/2012-11/21/c_131990247.htm

11. China backs Palestine's bid for UN observer state

Beijing, Thursday, 29 November 2012

China backs Palestine's bid for a non-member observer state status in the United Nations, Foreign Ministry spokesperson Hong Lei said.

Source: Xinhua, Beijing

http://news.xinhuanet.com/english/china/2012-11/29/c_132007932.htm

12. Wen reiterates China's support for Palestine statehood

Beijing, Friday, 30 November 2012

Prime Minister Wen Jiabao reiterated China's support for an independent Palestine with East Jerusalem as its capital.

Source: Xinhua, Beijing

http://news.xinhuanet.com/english/china/2012-11/30/c_132008286.htm

SYRIA

13. UN official says China's proposal on Syria welcomed

United Nations, Wednesday, 7 November 2012

The UN Under-Secretary-General for Political Affairs Jeffrey Feltman said that China's new four-point proposal on Syria is welcome as a contribution to moving toward a political solution for Syria.

Source: Xinhua, Beijing

http://news.xinhuanet.com/english/world/2012-11/07/c_123922002.htm

14. China says Syria's fate in hands of Syrian people

Beijing, Wednesday, 14 November 2012

Chinese Foreign Ministry spokesperson Hong Lei reiterated that Syria's fate should be decided by its people.

Source: Xinhua, Beijing

http://news.xinhuanet.com/english/china/2012-11/14/c_131974345.htm

15. China urges dialogue for solving Syrian crisis

Beijing, Thursday, 15 November 2012

China hopes Syria's opposition groups and the government would solve their problems through dialogue, a Foreign Ministry spokesperson said.

Source: Xinhua, Beijing

http://news.xinhuanet.com/english/china/2012-11/15/c_131977399.htm

16. China strongly condemns Syrian car bombings: FM spokesperson

Beijing, Thursday, 29 November 2012

China strongly condemns recent car bombings in Syria and opposes all forms of terrorism, Chinese Foreign Ministry spokesperson Hong Lei said.

Source: Xinhua, Beijing

http://news.xinhuanet.com/english/china/2012-11/29/c_132007850.htm

TURKEY

17. Chinese state councillor meets Turkish FM undersecretary on ties

Beijing, Tuesday, 20 November 2012

Chinese State Councillor Dai Bingguo met with Undersecretary of Turkish Foreign Affairs Feridun Sinirlioglu towards advancing bilateral strategic cooperation.

Source: Xinhua, Beijing

http://news.xinhuanet.com/english/china/2012-11/20/c_131987699.htm

YEMEN

18. China welcomes Yemen's political transition progress

Beijing, Thursday, 22 November 2012

China welcomes Yemen's progress in implementing a political transition agreement signed a year ago, Foreign Ministry spokesperson Hua Chunying said.

Source: Xinhua, Beijing

http://news.xinhuanet.com/english/china/2012-11/22/c_131992660.htm

ECONOMIC ISSUES

SAUDI ARABIA

19. Saudi Aramco sets up subsidiary in Beijing

Beijing, Tuesday, 13 November 2012

Saudi Arabian Oil Company (Saudi Aramco), one of the world's largest oil and chemicals producers, announced that it has established its wholly owned subsidiary Aramco Asia in Beijing.

Source: Xinhua, Beijing

http://news.xinhuanet.com/english/china/2012-11/13/c_131971653.htm

MISCELLANEOUS ISSUES

ALGERIA

20. China willing to step up exchanges in legislature, women affairs with Algeria

Algiers, Sunday, 25 November 2012

A senior Chinese legislator said on that China would like to work with Algeria to step up bilateral exchanges in women's affairs and between the two countries' legislative bodies.

Source: Xinhua, Beijing

http://news.xinhuanet.com/english/china/2012-11/26/c_131998669.htm

BAHRAIN

21. China condemns Bahrain bombings

Beijing, Thursday, 8 November 2012

Foreign Ministry spokesperson said China condemned a series of deadly explosions that occurred in Manama, capital of Bahrain, early this week.

Source: Xinhua, Beijing

http://news.xinhuanet.com/english/china/2012-11/08/c_131960625.htm

JORDAN

22. China extends aid to Syrian refugees in Jordan

Amman, Wednesday, 14 November 2012

China provided the Jordan Hashemite Charity Organization humanitarian assistance to help the Syrian refugees in Jordan.

Source: Xinhua, Beijing

http://news.xinhuanet.com/english/china/2012-11/14/c_131974863.htm

SAUDI ARABIA

23. Chinese pilgrims return from Mecca

Beijing, Wednesday, 21 November 2012

A total of 315 Chinese Muslims arrived in Beijing via the country's final charter flight for this year's pilgrimage to Mecca, according to the State Administration for Religious Affairs.

Source: Xinhua, Beijing

http://news.xinhuanet.com/english/china/2012-11/21/c_131990140.htm

ARAB WOMEN'S FORUM

24. China-Arab Women's Forum held in Egypt

Cairo, Thursday, 15 November 2012

The first China-Arab Women's forum was held in Cairo to discuss the new challenges Chinese and Arab women are facing and to enhance the exchange and cooperation between the two sides.

Source: Xinhua, Beijing

http://news.xinhuanet.com/english/china/2012-11/16/c_131977568.htm

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