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POLITICAL ISSUES

EGYPT

1. Sisi's trip to China to enhance strategic partnership: minister

Cairo, Saturday, 6 December 2014

During an interview, Egypt's International Cooperation Minister Nagla al-Ahwani said that the main purpose of President Abdel-Fattah al-Sisi's expected visit to Beijing was to create a kind of strategic partnership with China.

Source: Xinhua, Beijing

http://news.xinhuanet.com/english/africa/2014-12/07/c_127282950.htm

2. Egyptian president to visit China next week

Beijing, Thursday, 18 December 2014

China's Foreign Ministry announced that the Egyptian President Abdel Fattah al Sisi will pay a state visit to China from 22-25 December as a guest of President Xi Jinping.

Source: Xinhua, Beijing

http://news.xinhuanet.com/english/china/2014-12/18/c_133864686.htm

3. China, Egypt establish comprehensive strategic partnership

Beijing, Tuesday, 23 December 2014

Chinese President Xi Jinping and visiting Egyptian President Abdel Fattah al Sisi signed a joint document on establishing a bilateral comprehensive strategic partnership and pledged to boost political, economic, military, cultural and technological cooperation along with cooperation on regional and international affairs.

Source: Xinhua, Beijing

http://news.xinhuanet.com/english/china/2014-12/23/c_133874354.htm

See Also: Xinhua, Beijing

http://news.xinhuanet.com/english/china/2014-12/23/c_133874597.htm

4. Top Chinese legislator meets Egyptian President

Beijing, Wednesday, 24 December

Chairperson of the Standing Committee of the National People's Congress (NPC) Zhang Dejiang met with the visiting Egyptian President Abdel Fattah al Sisi and discussed bilateral relations.

Source: Xinhua, Beijing

http://news.xinhuanet.com/english/china/2014-12/24/c_133876899.htm

5. China, Egypt pledge cooperation on big construction projects

Beijing, Wednesday, 24 December 2014

Egyptian President Abdel Fattah al Sisi and Chinese Premier Li Keqiang pledged to promote bilateral cooperation on big construction projects during the first China visit by President Sisi.

Source: Xinhua, Beijing

http://news.xinhuanet.com/english/bilingual/2014-12/25/c_133879000.htm

IRAN

6. China's legislature ratifies extradition treaties, anti-terror convention

Beijing, Sunday, 28 December 2014

China approved two new extradition treaties with Iran during bimonthly legislature session of the Shanghai Cooperation Organization (SCO) Counter-Terrorism Convention.

Source: Xinhua, Beijing

http://news.xinhuanet.com/english/china/2014-12/28/c_133883531.htm

ISRAEL

7. China urges Israel to investigate into death of Palestinian minister

Beijing, Friday, 12 December 2014

China strongly urged Israel to conduct a serious investigation into the death of Palestinian Minister of Settlement Ziad Abu Ein who died in a hospital after being assaulted by Israeli soldiers during a mass rally in the West Bank city of Ramallah.

Source: Xinhua, Beijing

http://news.xinhuanet.com/english/china/2014-12/12/c_133850981.htm

8. China urges Security Council to play due role on Palestinian issue

United Nations, Tuesday, 30 December 2014

Liu Jieyi, China's permanent representative to the UN called on the UNSC to "effectively assume responsibility" and play its due role in mediating the Palestinian-Israeli conflict. He made the appeal at a UNSC meeting, where a Palestinian-drafted resolution urging the end of Israeli occupation by the end of 2017 failed to be adopted.

Source: Xinhua, Beijing

http://news.xinhuanet.com/english/world/2014-12/31/c_133889776.htm

9. China calls for early resumption of Palestinian-Israeli peace talks

Beijing, Wednesday, 31 December 2014

A Foreign Ministry spokesperson Hua Chunying explained that China voted in favour of a Palestinian-drafted resolution urging Israel to end occupation by the end of 2017 because China has always supported the just cause of the Palestinian people to restore their legitimate national rights.

Source: Xinhua, Beijing

http://news.xinhuanet.com/english/china/2014-12/31/c 133890495.htm

TUNISIA

10. China congratulates new Tunisian president

Beijing, Wednesday, 24 December 2014

China welcomed Tunisia's presidential elections and congratulated Beji Caid Essebsi on his election as president, a Foreign Ministry spokesperson Hua Chunying said.

Source: Xinhua, Beijing

http://news.xinhuanet.com/english/china/2014-12/24/c_133876795.htm

11. Xi congratulates Essebsi on election as Tunisian president

Beijing, Tuesday, 30 December 2014

Chinese President Xi Jinping congratulated Beji Caid Essebsi on his election as Tunisia's new president.

Source: Xinhua, Beijing

http://news.xinhuanet.com/english/china/2014-12/30/c_133888119.htm

ECONOMIC ISSUES

12. China tops Algeria's supplier list for second year

Algiers, Sunday, 21 December 2014

China emerged as Algeria's largest supplier in the first 11 months of 2014 with US\$ 7.44 billion, followed by France with US\$ 5.89 billion, according to the figures of Customs.

Source: Xinhua, Beijing

http://news.xinhuanet.com/english/africa/2014-12/22/c_133869736.htm

MISCELLANEOUS ISSUES

13. Document on linking China's railway to Iran signed in Dushanbe

Dushanbe, Wednesday, 10 December 2014

The document on a regional railway designed to link China with Iran via Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan and Afghanistan was signed, Tajikistan's Ministry of Transport announced. It is expected to start from China's Kashgar to Afghanistan's Herat, then go through Kyrgyzstan and Tajikistan and finally be connected with the Iranian railway.

Source: Xinhua, Beijing

http://news.xinhuanet.com/english/world/2014-12/10/c_133846022.htm

14. Morocco's largest private bank starts trading in Chinese Yuan

Casablanca, Friday, 19 December 2014

One of Morocco's biggest lenders Attijariwafa Bank announced that it has begun trading in the Chinese Yuan to help local and African businesses in their growing commercial partnership with China.

Source: Xinhua, Beijing

http://news.xinhuanet.com/english/africa/2014-12/20/c_127320373.htm

15. China-Arab research institute launched in Muslim region

Yinchuan, Saturday, 20 December 2014

A China-Arab research institute was established in northwest China's Ningxia Hui Autonomous Region, where many of the Muslim Hui ethnic minority lives.

Source: Xinhua, Beijing

http://news.xinhuanet.com/english/china/2014-12/20/c 133868142.htm

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