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## Giant pandas arrive in Jakarta on 10-year loan

A pair of giant pandas from China arrived in Jakarta on Sept 28 on a 10-year joint research lease, making Indonesia one of the 16 countries and regions to host and help breed the endangered bear species.

The 7-year-olds landed at Jakarta's international airport from Chengdu, capital of Southwest China's Sichuan province.

Cai Tao, a male bear weighing 127 kilograms, and female bear Hu Chun, weighing 120 kg, were transferred to a 4,800-square-meter panda park at Taman Safari zoo, located 75 kilometers south of Jakarta and 1,700 meters above sea level to ensure that the pandas are at a similar altitude to their hometown.

The pandas will be available for public viewing a month after the quarantine period.

## DPRK firms and JVs ordered to shut down

China has ordered companies and joint ventures (JVs) from the Democratic People's Republic of Korea (DPRK) to shut down within 120 days as it applies UN sanctions imposed following Pyongyang's sixth nuclear test, the Ministry of Commerce and the State Administration for Industry and Commerce said on Sept 28.

Overseas Chinese JVs launched with DPRK firms or individuals should also be closed according to the sanctions from the United Nations, which did not give a deadline.

The UN Security Council unanimously adopted a resolution on Sept 12 imposing new sanctions on Pyongyang, including limiting its oil imports, banning its textile exports and restricting overseas firms from hiring DPRK citizens.

## Police liaisons help in criminal cases abroad

The 63 liaison officers from Chinese police forces sent to the nation's embassies and consulates in 31 countries have played a key role in handling an increasing number of cases abroad involving Chinese people, according to the Ministry of Public Security.

The officers have worked with local police, assisting in 5,000 transnational cases and helping repatriate 1,349 fugitives over the past five years. They have significantly boosted international law enforcement cooperation in fighting crime and hunting fugitives. Their presence has helped better protect the interests of Chinese people who live or travel abroad, the ministry said.

"Little do people know that many Chinese fugitives listed on Interpol's red notices turned themselves



Visitors admire a gigantic mooncake made of 8,150 smaller mooncakes at Laojun Mountain in Luoyang, Central China's Henan province, on Oct 4, also the date of the Mid-Autumn Festival. The cake was inspired by the tale of Chang'e — China's lunar goddess — flying to the moon, and the round shape signifies reunion while the number 8,150 signifies the 15th of the eighth month of the lunar calendar, when the festival falls. The giant cake was later shared by visitors.

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in because of the work of police liaison officers," said Yu Yang, an officer with the ministry's department of police liaison officers.

Red notices are requests to locate and provisionally arrest an individual pending repatriation.

## Quantum link connects Beijing and Shanghai

China launched a 2,000-kilometer quantum fiber link connecting Beijing and Shanghai on Sept 29, allowing unhackable communication between the cities.

This is the world's longest and most sophisticated quantum link, and it will serve as the backbone connecting quantum networks in four cities: Beijing, Shanghai, Jinan in the eastern Shandong province and Hefei in the eastern Anhui province, said Pan Jianwei, China's leading quantum physicist.

During the link's launch in Beijing, Bai Chunli, president of the Chinese Academy of Sciences, made video calls using the quantum link with scientists and government officials in Jinan, Hefei and Shanghai, congratulating them for their hard work.

## Beijing issues 20-year development plan

A blueprint for Beijing's development over the next 20 years has drawn three "red lines" to ensure the city becomes a livable and harmonious capital, according to the municipal government on Sept 29.

The development plan of Beijing (2016-35), which was approved by the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China and the

State Council on Sept 27, saw more details released on Sept 29, with the city setting limits on its population, land for development, and land for ecological protection.

The city aims to hold its population to 23 million by 2020, with 10.85 million in the city's six core districts. The number of registered residents now stands at 21.73 million.

The land used for construction will be reduced from 2,921 square kilometers in 2015 to 2,860 sq km by 2020, and be further cut to 2,760 sq km by 2035, it said.

## Friendship Award goes to 50 foreign experts

Fifty foreign experts from 21 countries have received this year's Friendship Award — China's high-

est honor granted to a foreigner — for their contribution to the nation's development.

Vice-Premier Ma Kai conferred medals on the winners at an award ceremony on Sept 29 in Beijing. He said that since late 2012, 3.35 million foreign experts have come to work in China, and they have played an active role in building a more modern nation.

Ma said China will adopt more open and effective policies to attract foreign talent, support their participation in China's scientific research and safeguard their legitimate rights and interests. More rigorous efforts will be made to lure talent that China urgently needs, he added.

The award was launched in 1991, and so far 1,549 foreigners working in China have received the medal.

## UN peacekeeping force completes registration

The 8,000-strong peacekeeping standby force that President Xi Jinping promised in 2015 has finished its registration process with the United Nations and will be deployed after training, the Defense Ministry said on Sept 28.

The force will include 28 divisions from 10 fields, ranging from infantry battalions and quick-response forces to helicopter and drone crews, said Wu Qian, the ministry's spokesman, at a news briefing in Beijing.

"The standby force will train with United Nations standards, and be deployed to overseas peacekeeping mission areas at the appropriate time," he said, adding that it will conduct combat-ready training and rescue missions in China before being deployed.

Two years ago, Xi told the 70th session of the UN General Assembly that China would join the UN capability readiness system, and set up a standby peacekeeping force of 8,000 troops.

## Long March rocket lifts three satellites

China used a Long March 2C carrier rocket on Sept 29 to lift three satellites, as the nation resumes space launches after a major failure in July.

The rocket blasted off at 12:21 pm at the Xichang Satellite Launch Center in Southwest China's Sichuan province, successfully placing three Yaogan 30-1 satellites into orbit, according to a news release from China Aerospace Science and Technology Corporation, the major contractor of the country's space programs.

Developed by the Chinese Academy of Sciences, the satellites will be used to carry out technological experiments on the electromagnetic environment, the release said.



Ten of the 11 giant pandas born this year at the Chengdu Research Base of Giant Panda Breeding make their public debut in Chengdu, Southwest China's Sichuan province, on Sept 29, ahead of National Day on Oct 1. The base holds 184 giant pandas, the world's largest center for the animals in captivity. SHE YI / FOR CHINA DAILY