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Quotable

“China seeks global partnerships, not global dominance. China stands for better cooperation and communication among our major partners. China will never seek our own development at the expense of other countries.”

CUI TIANKAI,



China's ambassador to the United States, speaking at the annual gala of the National Committee on US-China Relations in New York on Nov 20.

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“The governing principles of King Wen and King Wu are recorded in the classics. Rulers such as them enable a benevolent government to be formed. Without rulers like them, benevolent governments will cease to exist. Hence, the key to forming a good government is in having good people to run the government, and good people will be drawn to leaders who are able and virtuous, whose character is in line with the principles of morality and ethics grounded in benevolence.”

Scroll 10: Kong Zi Jia Yu

Editor's note: This is an extract from *The Governing Principles of Ancient China*, based on 360 passages excerpted from the original compilation of *Qunshu Zhiyao*. *Qunshu Zhiyao* or *The Compilation of Books and Writings on the Important Governing Principles*, commissioned by Emperor Tang Taizong of the Tang Dynasty in the seventh century, contains advice, methods and historical notes on the successes and failures of the imperial governments of China. Today it continues to be relevant as a source of inspiration for self-improvement, family management and interpersonal relations.

Trust key to better Sino-Japan ties: Li

Premier Li Keqiang urged Japan on Nov 21 to get China-Japan relations back on the right track by continuing to improve bilateral ties and avoiding interference.

A healthy and stable relationship is in line with the common interests of both countries, Li said in a meeting with a Japanese business delegation. Mutual trust is the key to improving bilateral ties, and grassroots exchanges are fundamental to the process, he said.

Economic and trade cooperation are vital aspects of China-Japan relations, the premier said, and the Japanese economic community is expected to continue the tradition to help make peace, friendship and cooperation a consensus for all Japanese people.

Li said he hopes the two countries can work together to promote ties, based on the four political documents. These were signed between 1972 and 2008 and were confirmed as abiding principles by both countries in 2014.

President makes call to deepen overall reform

President Xi Jinping called for continuous and resolute efforts to deepen overall reform as the top reform agency convened on Nov 20 for the first time since the Party's national congress established reform procedures in multiple areas.

Xi, also general secretary of the Communist Party of China Central Committee and chairman of the Central Military Commission, set down requirements while presiding over the first meeting of the 19th Central Leading Group for Deepening Overall Reform. The group is headed by Xi.

During the meeting, Xi stressed that great achievements have been reached in deepening reform, and that there remains huge potential for further deepening of reform.

Members of the leading group, including Li Keqiang, Zhang Gaoli, Wang Yang and Wang Huning, attended the conference.

Long March 6 sends 3 satellites into orbit

China launched a Long March 6 carrier rocket on Nov 21 to send three small Earth-observation satellites into space.



Premier Li Keqiang meets with a Japanese business delegation on Nov 21 at the Great Hall of the People in Beijing.

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The Long March 6 blasted off at 12:50 pm at Taiyuan Satellite Launch Center in North China's Shanxi province and put three Jilin 1-series satellites in orbit, according to a news release from China Aerospace Science and Technology Corp, the major contractor of China's space programs.

It was the second mission for the Long March 6, a new-generation liquid-propellant rocket, the release said. The three-stage rocket's first launch was in September 2015, when it put 20 satellites into orbit, setting a record for the most satellites launched by a single Chinese rocket.

Development of the Long March 6, the first of China's new generation of carrier rockets, began in 2009 at the Shanghai Academy of Spaceflight Technology, a subsidiary of China Aerospace Science and Technology Corp.

Wang urges ROK to honor commitments

Foreign Minister Wang Yi has used the Chinese saying “commitments must be honored” in urging Seoul to make sustained efforts to tackle the issue of deployment of a US anti-missile system in the Republic of Korea (ROK).

Wang made the comment when meeting with his ROK counterpart

Kang Kyung-wha in Beijing on Nov 22 amid public focus on progress in handling the US Terminal High Altitude Area Defense (THAAD) system, which has X-band radar capable of covering part of China.

China attaches great importance to Seoul's recent pledges, including that it will not join a US-led anti-missile network, it will allow no additional deployments of THAAD, and it has no intention to damage China's security interests, according to Wang.

Kang was making her first China visit since taking office in June, and shortly after the two sides arrived at a consensus on some points in tackling THAAD according to a joint statement on Oct 31.

Key electronic parts now made in China

More than 85 percent of the key electronic parts in Chinese defense and high-tech equipment are now domestically made, meaning the country has the ability to be self-sufficient in advanced electronic components, officials said on Nov 20.

Over the past decade, the technological gap between China and traditional electronic powerhouses, like the United States, has shortened from 15 years to five years, said Diao Shijing, director of information technology at the Ministry of Industry

and Information Technology.

At the same time, the ratio of domestically made key electronic parts in defense and high-tech equipment rose from 30 percent to 85 percent.

Merger creates world's largest utility provider

China's largest coal mining company and a major power generator said on Nov 20 their merger was completed, creating the world's largest utility provider by capacity as the country continues to reform its colossal State sector.

Coal producer Shenhua Group and China Guodian Corp, one of the top five State power producers, announced the official merger into a new entity called China Energy Investment Corp. It comes as the country tries to cut industrial overcapacity and streamline State-owned enterprises (SOEs).

The merger will create an energy behemoth with combined assets estimated to exceed 1.8 trillion yuan (\$273 billion) and the fourth-largest Chinese energy sector SOE — after China National Petroleum Corp, the country's largest oil and gas supplier and producer; China Petroleum and Chemical Corp, the world's biggest refiner; and State Grid Corp of China, the nation's electric power giant.



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