

China-Africa consensus to safeguard common interests of Global South: FM

Foreign Minister Wang Yi said on Friday that China is willing to work with Tanzania to enhance global influence of China-Africa Dar es Salaam Consensus to contribute more to safeguarding the common interests of the Global South. He made the remarks when meeting with visiting Tanzania's Minister for Foreign Affairs and East African Cooperation January Yusuf Makamba in Beijing. Scholars from 50 countries jointly released the Dar es Salaam Consensus, with an aim to offer approaches and solutions to major global issues and challenges, at the 13th Meeting of the China-Africa Think Tanks Forum held in Tanzania's port city of Dar es Salaam in March. China Daily.

China reaffirms commitment to supporting Nigeria's development

Zhang Yi, the chargé d'affaires of the Chinese embassy in Nigeria, has reaffirmed China's commitment to support Nigeria's development through strategic partnerships, technology transfer, and infrastructure investments. Mr Yi stated this on Thursday in Abuja at a Seminar on Promoting Harmony Through Mutual Learning organised by the Chinese Embassy in collaboration with the China Alumni Association and the University of Abuja. He highlighted the importance of collaboration between the two countries in key energy, transportation, and telecommunications sectors to drive economic growth and mutual opportunities. People's Gazette Nigeria.

Chinese FM holds talks with Tanzanian counterpart

Chinese Foreign Minister Wang Yi held talks with January Yusuf Makamba, Tanzania's Minister for Foreign Affairs and East African Cooperation, in Beijing on Friday. Wang, also a member of the Political Bureau of the Communist Party of China Central Committee, welcomed Makamba's visit to China on the occasion of the 60th anniversary of the establishment of diplomatic ties between the two countries. He said that China-Tanzania relations had always been at the forefront of China-Africa relations over the past 60 years, which set a good example for developing countries to seek strength through solidarity and mutual assistance. China is willing to deepen political mutual trust, strengthen strategic alignment, expand practical cooperation and inject new connotation of the era into the China-Tanzania comprehensive strategic cooperative partnership guided by the important consensus reached by the two heads of state, Wang said. Xinhua.

China's taste for 'blood timber' may be fueling Mozambique conflict

Africa has long been known for its so-called "blood diamonds," a term for mineral wealth that fuels violent conflict. In the Southern Africa country of Mozambique, a report finds "blood timber" largely fueled by market demand from China is financing an insurgency in northern Mozambique. But security analysts disagree on how much the militants are profiting from the wood sales. An Islamic State-linked militant group has been waging an

insurgency in Mozambique's Cabo Delgado province since 2017, with some militants fighting in the name of jihad but most driven by economic exclusion in an area rich in rubies and natural gas. Voice of America.

Benin gives green light for Niger's oil exports to China

For months, Benin has been blocking a pipeline set to export crude oil from Niger to China. Now the trade dispute appears to have been resolved with China's mediation. Benin's concession was a decisive step toward resolving a trade conflict between the West African neighbors that threatened to cause significant economic damage to both countries. The rapprochement came through the mediation of the Chinese government and the Chinese companies operating the newly inaugurated pipeline between Agadem, in eastern Niger, and Seme Kpodji, in southern Benin. In recent months, the closure of the Niger-Benin border has primarily affected Benin's state revenues and increased food costs, which led to protests over the high cost of living. DW.

China and Zambia look to the future as ties celebrated

Culture and Tourism Year kicks off with songs, dances and glimpses of African country's natural and cultural beauty, Yang Feiyue reports. Edward Chabu flew all the way from the Zambian capital Lusaka to Beijing to attend the 2024 China-Zambia Culture and Tourism Year, which kicked off on May 11. The Zambian music lecturer sang and danced onstage in multicolored traditional attire and makeup, and amazed the audience, especially with his rendition in Mandarin of the Chinese folk song Jasmine Flower, which he sang with a Chinese artist. "In addition to the duet that shows our friendship, we have prepared four shows and cut them short and pieced them together for the audience," says the musician in his 20s. "They are all traditional performances featuring instruments from different parts of Zambia. We want to show our country's culture as much as possible to the Chinese audience." China Daily.

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