



[China Making Inroads In Africa: A Huge Challenge For American Hegemony – OpEd](#)

Africa has been an important trade route, has been a big market of slave trade, and had been a continent of colonization by the Netherlands, Portugal, Spain, the great Britain, and France from the 15th to 20th centuries. It is the second most largest continent with respect to population after Asia and has huge economic potential and deposits of minerals like gold, copper, diamond, cobalt, and oil reserves. Owing to its economic and strategic importance it has become a place of cold war between America and China where China has eyeing on reshaping African order. China has made inroads in Africa since 2000 and currently funds one in every five projects posing a threat to American hegemony in the region where China has been building dams, generating power, ports, railway networks, roads. Chinese President Xi said last year in a summit that China would launch programs of infrastructure development, agricultural modernization, to support manufacturing, diversifying their economies, and creating Jobs. Eurasia Review.

[Seychelles National Choir honoured with 2 awards at 17th China International Chorus Festival in Beijing](#)

The Seychelles National Choir (SNC) received a Peace and Friendship award and a special award for good performance at the 17th China International Chorus Festival held in Beijing from July 15 to 19. Competing in the category of mixed adult professional choirs, the Seychelles National Choir, accompanied by their director and conductor, Sun Xiaojun Lownam, was recognised with the Peace and Friendship Award for bringing everyone together at the closing ceremony. The Special Mention Award certificate from the Soong Ching Ling Foundation recognised the choir's well-balanced strong singing and performance in general. The festival featured professional choirs from all over the world and participants had the opportunity to exchange skills and exhibit their talents. Speaking to SNA following their success at the festival, several members expressed their pride and joy at being able to not only display their skills on a world stage but also showcase Seychellois culture. Bianca Bonnelame, an alto singer, said that apart from Chinese songs such as 'Tong Yi Shou Ge,' they also performed several local pieces. Seychelles News Agency.

[Vice Foreign Minister Chen Xiaodong Pays a Courtesy Call on President of Nigeria Bola Ahmed Tinubu](#)

On July 25, 2024, Vice Foreign Minister Chen Xiaodong paid a courtesy call on President of Nigeria Bola Ahmed Tinubu in Abuja. Chen Xiaodong said, since the establishment of diplomatic relations 53 years ago, China and Nigeria have been developing bilateral relations on the basis of mutual respect, equality and mutual benefit, firmly supporting each other on issues concerning each other's core interests and major concerns, consolidating political mutual trust and achieving fruitful results in practical cooperation, making bilateral cooperation a pacesetter for China-Africa cooperation. This fall, the new summit of the Forum on China-Africa Cooperation (FOCAC) will be held in Beijing. President Bola Ahmed Tinubu is welcome to attend the summit and visit China. Chen Xiaodong expressed the belief that under the strategic guidance of the two heads of state, China-Nigeria relations will achieve new major development and the summit will be a complete success. Chen Xiaodong also briefed

President Bola Ahmed Tinubu on the recent Third Plenary Session of the 20th CPC Central Committee. Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the People's Republic of China.

Popularity of Chinese-made EVs grows rapidly in Egypt

After years of using a gasoline-powered car, Poula Mounir, an electric vehicle (EV) seller in the Egyptian capital Cairo, decided to acquire a Chinese-made EV following a series of careful comparisons. Currently driving a Chinese BYD Song L SUV, Mounir expressed admiration for the quality of Chinese EVs, noting that Chinese electric cars are distinct from European ones in terms of technology and battery quality. "I noticed a big difference in terms of cost, maintenance, and efficiency," he told Xinhua, praising the batteries of BYD cars as his car has a range of over 600 kilometers on a single charge. The Egyptian market is witnessing remarkable growth in the number of electric cars, with many Chinese-made EVs traveling on Egyptian roads. From BYD and Geely to ZEEKR and NIO, Chinese manufacturers provide various models of electric cars that are gaining global popularity among Egyptians, Mounir told Xinhua. Xinhua.

"Peace Unity-2024" joint exercise: Chinese naval ships arrive in Tanzania

On the morning of Wednesday, local time, the Chinese naval vessels arrived in Tanzania for the maritime phase of "Peace Unity-2024". The militaries of China, Tanzania and Mozambique will hold "Peace Unity-2024" joint exercise from late-July to mid-August. Around 10 a.m. local time, the Chinese naval flotilla, composed of the amphibious dock landing ship Wuzhishan, the amphibious dock landing ship Qilianshan and the guided-missile destroyer Hefei, arrived in Tanzania. A grand welcome ceremony was held at Dar es Salaam Port, attended by Real Admiral Ameir Hassan, Commander of the Naval Force of Tanzania, along with other military and political officials, staff from the Chinese Embassy in Tanzania, local residents, overseas Chinese, and representatives from Chinese-funded institutions. Under the theme of joint counter-terrorism military operations, the joint exercise will be carried out both on land and at sea. China Military Online.

Arms from China, Turkey, Russia, UAE Intensify Sudan War—AI

Newly produced arms are exacerbating the conflict in Sudan, according to a recent report from Amnesty International. Amnesty's report, titled "The Sudan Conflict: Escalation Due to New Weaponry," which was published on July 24, outlines how foreign weapons are being transported into and within Sudan, blatantly disregarding the current arms embargo on Darfur. "The constant flow of arms into Sudan is continuing to cause civilian death and suffering on an immense scale. This is a humanitarian crisis that cannot be ignored," said Deprose Muchena, Amnesty International Senior Director for Regional Human Rights Impact. The research indicates that weapons brought into the nation are acquired by combatants who have been accused of violating humanitarian and human rights laws. Amnesty International systematically monitored various deadly weapons – pistols, shotguns, and rifles – utilised by the conflicting parties and advocated for a complete arms embargo on Sudan. News Central Africa.

Morocco 'explodes' as hotspot for Chinese investment in electric vehicles and new energy

North African country's free-trade agreements are luring Chinese companies that hope to avoid EU and US trade restrictions, analysts say. Chinese investment in electric vehicles and new energy in Morocco has "exploded", according to Beijing's envoy to the North African country, as companies hope to circumvent tariffs and other

import restrictions imposed by the US and Europe. Chinese ambassador to Morocco Li Changlin said that the country had “become a new hotspot for Chinese companies to invest overseas”. Construction on a Chinese-backed manufacturing and technology hub is progressing well, according to Li, who visited the Mohammed VI City for Science and Technology last month. During the visit, Li noted that the US\$1 billion tech hub in Tangier, which will host hundreds of Chinese companies, is “an important symbol of the high-quality joint construction of the ‘belt and road’ between China and Morocco”, a reference to the Belt and Road Initiative, Beijing’s plan for global trade and infrastructure. South China Morning Post.

[Morocco, China discuss cooperation in nuclear safety](#)

Morocco and China have discussed at a meeting in Beijing earlier this week their cooperation in nuclear safety, in a step towards bolstering international nuclear safety standards. The meeting brought together the Director General of the Moroccan Agency for Nuclear and Radiological Safety and Security (AMSSNuR), Saïd Mouline, and Chinese Vice-Minister of Ecology and Environment and head of the National Nuclear Safety Administration (NNSA), Dong Baotong. The meeting focused on the implementation of a previously signed cooperation agreement between AMSSNuR and the NNSA. The agreement aims to enhance bilateral collaboration in nuclear safety and facilitate the exchange of knowledge and expertise between Morocco and China. During the discussions, Mouline underscored the critical importance of this partnership for Morocco. He highlighted the potential for developing technical capacities and establishing best practices in nuclear regulation within the country. Mouline expressed his desire for a swift implementation of the planned initiatives under the agreement to maximize the strategic benefits for both nations. North Africa Post.

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