

## FG advised to set up implementation committee to follow through Nigeria-China agreement

The Federal Government has been advised to set up a special committee to see to the implementation of the recent China-Nigeria bilateral agreements. Mr. Charles Onunaiju, Director, Centre for China Studies in Nigeria urged the government to take the agreement lightly. President Bola Tinubu had signed 13 bilateral agreements during his recent trip to China. Only recently, the Chinese Ambassador to Nigeria, Yu Dunhai vowed to ensure the implementation of the agreements for the mutual benefit of both countries. Onunaiju said the implementation of the agreements will help President Bola Tinubu achieve his transformation agenda. he Nation Newspaper.

## What are Africa's economic needs amid rising competition between China and the West?

Following a month filled with key summits and continued trade negotiations across Africa, this week's edition of Spotlight on Africa examines the growing rivalry between China and Western nations as they vie for business opportunities on the continent. This week, our focus shifts to the dynamics of Chinese-African-Western relations. In September, as the United States pursued investments in nuclear energy projects in Ghana and Kenya, the China-Africa forum concluded with a series of new agreements between China and a number of African countries. These deals spanned key sectors, including industry, agriculture, natural resources, and renewable energy. RFI.

## China medical team provides urgent medical support to South Sudan orphans

Since South Sudan gained independence in 2011, Chinese medical teams have been playing a crucial role in providing essential healthcare services to vulnerable children in the world's youngest country. The arrival of the 12th Chinese medical team in the capital city of Juba on Sept 4 has brought renewed hope to orphanages struggling with a lack of affordable healthcare options. Taking over from the outgoing 11th team, which returned to east China's Anhui Province, the new group wasted no time in continuing the tradition of offering free medical care to orphaned children. Ana Buri, 17, is one of the many beneficiaries of this outreach at Confident Children out of Conflict (CCC). Borneo Post Online.

#### Mpox cases in Africa exceed 34,000: Africa CDC

Since the start of 2024, the total number of mpox cases in Africa has risen to 34,297, including 6,806 confirmed cases and 866 deaths, according to the Africa Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (Africa CDC). Addressing a special online media briefing on the multi-country mpox outbreak in Africa, Africa CDC Director-General Jean Kaseya said on Thursday night that the continent reported 2,490 new cases in the past week alone, including 365 confirmed cases and 26 deaths, bringing the total number of cases reported this year to 34,297. Data from the Africa CDC showed that the Democratic Republic of the Congo and Burundi accounted for 94.5 percent of all the confirmed cases during the past week. China Daily.

## African Logistics Platform Logidoo Opens Corridor Connecting China and West Africa

Logidoo, a leading African logistics platform, announced the launch of its China-West Africa trade corridor. This strategic initiative marks a significant milestone in the company's mission to simplify and accelerate trade between two key regions, offering faster and more reliable logistics solutions. The corridor, established following Logidoo's participation in the prestigious C-START program, represents a culmination of intensive collaboration with Chinese companies. The partnerships, formalised in August 2024, lay the groundwork for this game-changing logistics solution. The corridor will initially centre operations in Senegal, leveraging Logidoo's strong presence in the country. Tech Labari.

# Value-added and value lost: The macroeconomic limits of China's Africa strategy

China's overcapacity has hit Europe's economies hard, but it is also damaging Africa's. With both continents suffering, Africa and Europe can make common cause in confronting this mutual challenge. Earlier this month, Chinese leader Xi Jinping told an audience of 51 African leaders that China's ties with their continent were the "best in history". Indeed, at the China-Africa summit, Beijing mustered \$50.7bn (rendered in renminbi) in aid and investment – even if the accounting was creative – and established new education, trade, and security support, as well as bilateral exchanges. China also upgraded its relationship with Africa to "strategic" and "all-weather", claiming this would represent a "shared future for the new era". ECFR.

# Home To U.S.A.F Bomber Fleet, Why U.S. & India Supported UK-Mauritius Chagos Deal That China May Threaten

On October 3rd, the British government agreed to transfer sovereignty of the long-disputed Chagos Islands—an archipelago of over 60 islands in the Indian Ocean—to Mauritius. This move marks the end of a protracted dispute that has its roots in the colonial era. The deal has been welcomed by the United States, which has a significant stake in the region due to its military base on Diego Garcia. The agreement ensures the continued operation of this key UK-US military installation, which serves as a crucial hub for US bombers in the Indo-Pacific region. As part of the deal, the UK will retain sovereignty over Diego Garcia for an initial period of 99 years and will pay Mauritius an undisclosed rent. Additionally, a "resettlement" fund will be established for displaced Chagossians, facilitating their return to islands other than Diego Garcia. EurAsian Times.

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