

## How could US-China rivalry in Africa play out under Trump 2.0?

President-elect Donald Trump talked tough on China during his campaign, vowing to impose higher and sweeping tariffs on imports from the Asian giant. Beijing will now also be closely watching the incoming administration's movements further afield, in Africa, where U.S.-China rivalry is high. Experts disagree on what a second Trump term will mean for Beijing's ambitions on the continent, with some saying it could be a boon for China – Africa's biggest trade partner – if the U.S. pursues an isolationist, "America First" agenda that mostly ignores the region. But Tibor Nagy, who served as Trump's Assistant Secretary of State for African Affairs from 2018 to 2021 has a different perspective. He said Trump grasped how powerful a player China had become on the continent. Voice of America.

# What's on WeChat: Stop Misleading People About What It's Like For Chinese Entrepreneurs in Africa

A post by longtime Africa WeChat commentator Xiao Nie (小聂说事儿) is sparking a lot of discussion in Chinese development circles about the current conditions facing Chinese expatriates in Africa. Xiao Nie is well-known for his blunt "tell it like it is" writing style, which he's picked up from living in East Africa for the past ten years. His posts are widely followed by Chinese Africa watchers and provide a sharp contrast to the upbeat glossy narratives promoted by Chinese party and state media outlets. In this latest post, published on November 1, 2024, Xiao Nie takes aim at the constant flow of stories that appear in various Africa WeChat channels showcasing successful Chinese entrepreneurs. China Global South Project.

#### Roundup: China wins applause for peace support operations in Africa

African Union (AU) and Ethiopian officials have commended China's "unwavering support and role" in helping realize peace and security across Africa. China has been Africa's steadfast supporter through participating in conflict prevention, mediation and peace operations across the continent, Frederic Gateretse-Ngoga, a senior advisor at the AU Commission, told Xinhua in a recent interview. "China has been supporting peace operations in Africa in conflict prevention and mediation as well as advancing the continent's security agenda at the UN Security Council," said Ngoga, highlighting China's financial, logistic and equipment support for the AU-led peace operations in Africa. Xinhua.

#### Ethiopia, China commit to implementation of agreements reached during FOCAC meeting

Minister of Foreign Affairs, Gedion Timothewos received the Ambassador of the People's Republic of China to Ethiopia, Ambassador Chen Hai, at his offices, today. Gedion recalled the strong and unwavering "All Weather Strategic Partnership" between Ethiopia and China, emphasizing the commitment to elevate this robust relationship to a higher level. Gedion highlighted that efforts are underway to implement the directions set during the Forum on China-Africa Cooperation (FOCAC) summit to further strengthen relations between Ethiopia and China. He also briefed the Ambassador on the current situation in the Horn of Africa. Fana Broadcasting Corporate S.C.

## Chinese-funded bamboo project helps counter Kenya's flood problems

For decades, Francis Mayobo's farm, located along the Nzoia River in western Kenya, was repeatedly inundated by floods that destroyed his crops and pushed him to the brink of poverty. A retired public works official, Mayobo's farmland is near the river, which originates in Kenya's northwestern highlands and drains into Lake Victoria, Africa's largest freshwater body. Four years ago, Mayobo took a proactive step by planting hundreds of bamboo plants on his farm after learning about the tree's flood-mitigating potential. "I was motivated to venture into bamboo farming after training and research on how it could protect my farm from floods," Mayobo told Xinhua News Agency in a recent interview. China Daily.

## <u>Uganda coffee farmer finds success at the CIIE, develops network of Chinese partners to</u> distribute his product

Joseph Nkandu, a coffee farmer from Uganda who also serves as executive director of the Uganda Coffee Farmers Association, said the Chinese market and the China International Import Expo (CIIE) are full of optimism and that although they return home, they have developed a network of Chinese partners to continue distributing and selling their products throughout China. Speaking at the organization's booth of the 7th CIIE, Nkandu said that they are currently penetrating the Chinese market, which he explained has been growing rapidly. This growth is in part thanks to young people who, according to the statistics of those who visited their booth, are taking the lead in inquiring about coffee. People's Daily Online.

#### 60 years of China-Benin ties

November 12 marks the 60th anniversary of the establishment of diplomatic relations between China and Benin. On this occasion, let's have a look at some of the indicators that show the growing cooperation between the two countries. CGTN.

## Trump might cut aid to Africa but bankroll projects 'aimed at displacing China'

Donald Trump's second term as US president could see cuts to American aid to Africa, but projects to counter China's multibillion-dollar Belt and Road Initiative will likely continue to receive funding, observers say. During his first term in office, Trump cut funding and aid for African projects and was accused of ignoring the continent. While the US remains Africa's biggest contributor of aid – funding topped about US\$3.7 billion last year – there are fears that an emboldened Trump could cut aid for key projects. They include the President's Emergency Plan For Aids Relief, a bipartisan effort to fight HIV/Aids across the continent. South China Morning Post.

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