



Beijing's global vision takes shape in Africa

Mao Zedong once famously declared that 'political power grows out of the barrel of a gun'. But almost a century later, China realises that triumphing in an increasingly multipolar world also requires shaping public opinion. Accordingly, Beijing is rearranging its foreign policy outlook — especially in Africa. Whether countering human rights criticism or isolating Taiwan, China's goal is to wage a new form of warfare — the strategic contest for hearts and minds. East Asia Forum.

China-Nigeria Expo to Enhance Bilateral Trade

Nigeria and China are set to strengthen trade relations through the 2025 edition of the China Commodities Expo-Nigeria, with over 250 Chinese manufacturers and more than 5,000 business representatives expected to participate. According to a statement, Brightway International Exhibition, in collaboration with the Trade Development Bureau of China's Ministry of Commerce, is organising the expo scheduled to be held from November 5 to 7, 2025, in Lagos. Economic Confidential.

Ethiopian, Chinese media outlets vow closer ties to strengthen cultural exchange

Chinese and Ethiopian media outlets have underscored the importance of deepening cooperation to enhance mutual understanding and strengthen people-to-people ties. The remarks were made during a high-level forum held Wednesday in Addis Ababa, the capital of Ethiopia, under the theme "Seeing China: Fostering China-Ethiopia Media Collaboration." Xinhua.

China recalls Tanzania's vital role in endorsing UN resolution 2758

Speaking in Dar es Salaam on Wednesday during a media briefing titled 'UNGA Resolution 2758 is Unshakable and the One-China Principle Must Be Upheld' Chinese Ambassador Chen Mingjian praised Tanzania's unwavering support for China on the global stage. IPP Media.

South Africa sends season's first shipment of avocados to China

South Africa has sent the season's first shipment of avocados to China, Minister of Agriculture John Steenhuisen has confirmed. In a statement issued Tuesday, Steenhuisen conveyed his satisfaction with the South African avocado industry's active pursuit of international markets, "which is evidenced by the season's first shipment reaching Shanghai, China." Steenhuisen said the shipment of avocados will contribute to economic growth and job creation across the sector. Xinhua.

China-built irrigation project a game-changer for farmers in western Kenya

Along the sun-drenched banks of the River Nzoia in western Kenya, a quiet transformation is taking root. Fields that once lay bare, scorched by droughts and battered by unpredictable floods, now flourish with rows of thriving crops, nurtured by the steady waters of newly built irrigation canals. At the heart of this change is the Lower Nzoia Irrigation Project, built by China's Sino Hydro Company Limited, the biggest irrigation project in Kenya. China Daily.

Konza Technopolis, HICOOL forge strategic partnership to strengthen China-Kenya innovation ties

The agreement was formalized during the Silicon Savannah Startup Fair held at Konza Technopolis, where innovators showcased breakthrough solutions in sectors such as waste management, agri-tech, and smart water systems. "This partnership underscores Konza's commitment to positioning Kenya as a global hub for cross-border innovation. We are excited to open new pathways for our startups in China's dynamic tech ecosystem." John Paul Okwiri, CEO, Konza Technopolis said. KBC Digital.

Sudan demands China act against RSF drone use, accuses UAE

The Sudanese government on Thursday demanded that China take a firm stance on Chinese-made drones used by the Rapid Support Forces (RSF) to bomb civilian and military sites across the country and disable the technology used to operate them. Since the start of the year, the Rapid Support Forces have intensified bombing of power stations and dams, as well as civilian and military airports in a number of cities, using advanced Chinese-made drones. Sudan Tribune.

Senegalese students forge lifelong bonds in China exchange program

For students from the Mariama Ba Elite High School on Goree Island off Senegal's Atlantic coast, memories of their three-week journey to China last March remain vivid. Anissa Gningue, Aminata Thiam, Ndeye Faye, and Fatou Sene -- four students from the prestigious all-girls institution -- traveled to the Minxin Hong Kong School (Guangzhou Nansha) for a three-week program designed to foster cross-cultural understanding and learning. Xinhua.

China's top political advisor meets Zimbabwean parliament speaker

Wang Huning, chairman of the National Committee of the Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference (CPPCC), met with Speaker of the Parliament of Zimbabwe Jacob Mudenda in Beijing on Wednesday. Wang, also a member of the Standing Committee of the Political Bureau of the Communist Party of China Central Committee, said that in-depth and friendly exchanges between Chinese President Xi Jinping and Zimbabwean President Emmerson Mnangagwa in Beijing last year had provided strategic guidance for the development of bilateral relations. Xinhua.

China provides US\$16m in food aid support

ZIMBABWE received US\$16 million in emergency food assistance from China last year in response to the devastating effects of the El Niño-induced drought. Chinese ambassador to Zimbabwe, Zhou Ding, said the intervention in support of Zimbabwe's Food Deficit Mitigation Programme significantly alleviated the hardships of the affected communities. Zhou was speaking during the commissioning of the China-Zimbabwe Agricultural Co-operation Demonstration Village, located in Zindi village, Shamva district. Zimbabwe Independent.

Xi congratulates president of Togo on assuming office

Chinese President Xi Jinping on Wednesday extended congratulations to Jean-Lucien Savi de Tove on assuming the presidency of Togo. Also on Wednesday, Xi sent a congratulatory message to Faure Gnassingbe on his assuming office as the president of Togo's Council of Ministers. Xi said that friendly relations between China and Togo have been jointly established and carefully nurtured by the generations of leaders of both countries. Ecns .cn.

Chinese envoy hails ceasefire in Libya, calls for restraint, dialog

China welcomes the ceasefire in Libya and calls on relevant parties to exercise calm and restraint to prevent further escalations, and to resolve differences through dialog to jointly safeguard peace and stability, a Chinese envoy said on Thursday. Speaking at a UN Security Council meeting on the situation in Libya, China's deputy permanent representative to the United Nations Sun Lei said his country is closely following the recent clashes between rival factions in the Libyan capital Tripoli, which left at least six people dead. Bastillepost.

China has ample cobalt despite Congo ban, conference delegates say

Chinese cobalt smelters have ample supplies of the battery-making material despite the export ban imposed by the world's top producer, the Democratic Republic of Congo, in late February, delegates at an industry conference said this week. Mining Weekly.

Chagos security fears as China cosies up to Mauritius

Mauritius has fuelled fresh security fears over the Chagos islands deal after announcing it would seek a closer relationship with China. The Chinese ambassador to Mauritius said she supported “deepening full-fledged exchanges and co-operation between China and Mauritius” after a meeting with the country’s prime minister on Thursday. Telegraph Media Group.