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# Editor's Letter

Dear all,

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On June 23, President Xi Jinping chaired the 14th BRICS Summit and delivered important remarks, which is of great significance to jointly safeguarding international fairness and justice, revitalizing the cause of global development, and promoting the building of a community with a shared future for mankind. At the opening ceremony of the 2022 annual meeting of the Boao Forum for Asia on April, President Xi Jinping delivered a keynote speech entitled “Rising to Challenges and Building a Bright Future Through Cooperation”, in which he proposed for the first time a global security initiative. This important initiative clearly answers the question of the moment: What kind of security concept does the world need and how can all countries achieve common security. It responds to the urgent need of the international community to maintain world peace and prevent conflicts and wars, and provides a Chinese solution to international security challenges.

At Chinese government's invitation, Mrs. Bachelet, the UN High Commissioner for Human Rights, visited China from May 23th to 28th, and paid field visits to Guangzhou and Xinjiang. During the visit, President Xi Jinping met with Mrs. Bachelet by video meeting, and State Councilor and Foreign Minister Wang Yi met also with Ms. Bachelet. The two sides had extensive and in-depth exchanges in the spirit of mutual respect and frankness. China gave Mrs. Bachelet a comprehensive and in-depth account of China's human rights development path, philosophy and achievements, and the two sides exchanged views on global human rights governance, multilateral human rights work, and cooperation between China and OHCHR.

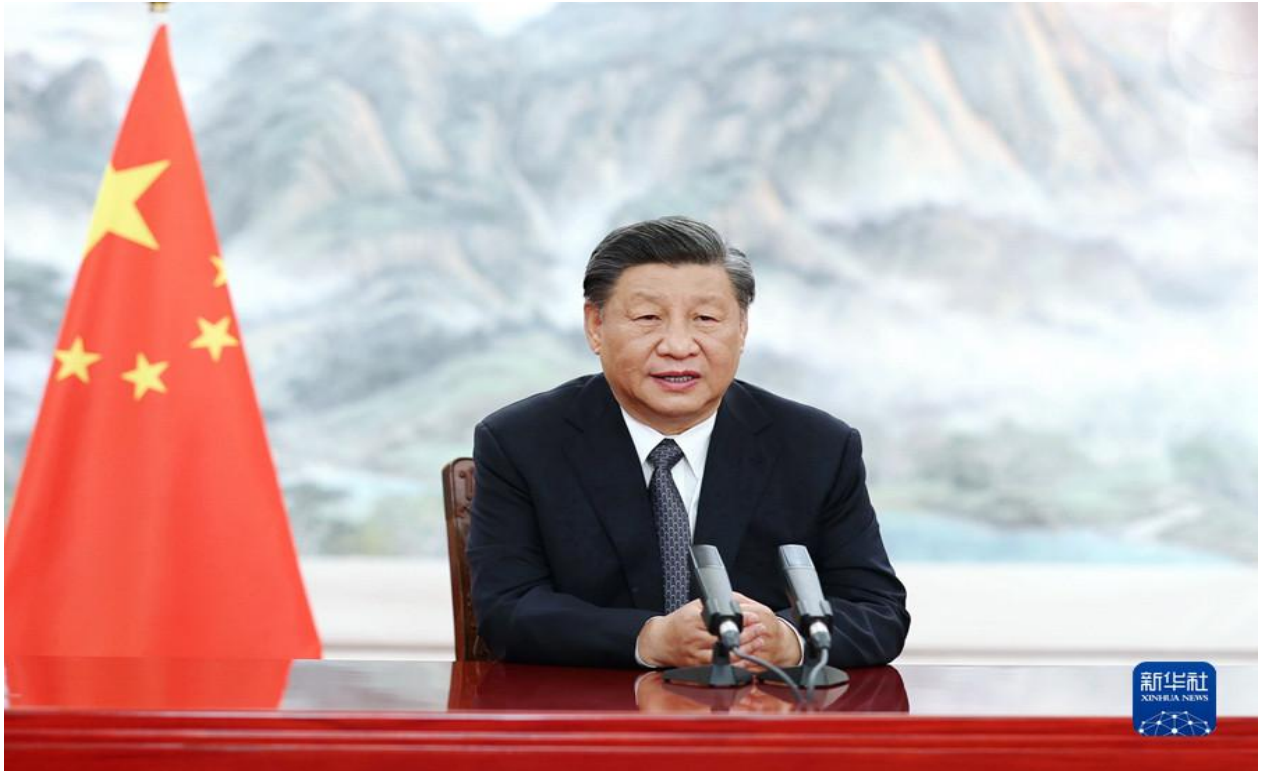
Since the outbreak of the coronavirus epidemic, the Chinese government has always insisted on putting people and life first, on preventing importation of the virus and national bouncing back, on the dynamic COVID-zero policy, and on constantly adjusting prevention and control measures according to the time and situation, thus achieving significant strategic results in the prevention and control of the epidemic. On the premise of strictly adhering to the bottom line of not having a large-scale rebound of infections and ensuring controllable risks, Shanghai since June 1st has fully implemented the normal management of epidemic prevention and control, and fully restored the normal production and life order in the city.

Since March this year, different factors as the complex evolution of the international situation, the repeated coronavirus challenges occurred, impacting China's economy, which has been recovering well. Despite all the hits and blows, the fundamentals of China's long-term economic progress remain solid, and the Chinese government has taken a strong set of policy measures in order to stabilize the economy. On the basis of insisting that the epidemic should be prevented, the economy should be stabilized, and development should be safe, China is accelerating the construction of a new development pattern, building a strong and resilient national economic cycle system, and insisting on expanding a high level of openness to the outside world.

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***Xi Jinping: China wants to further promote the policy of opening up to the outside world***



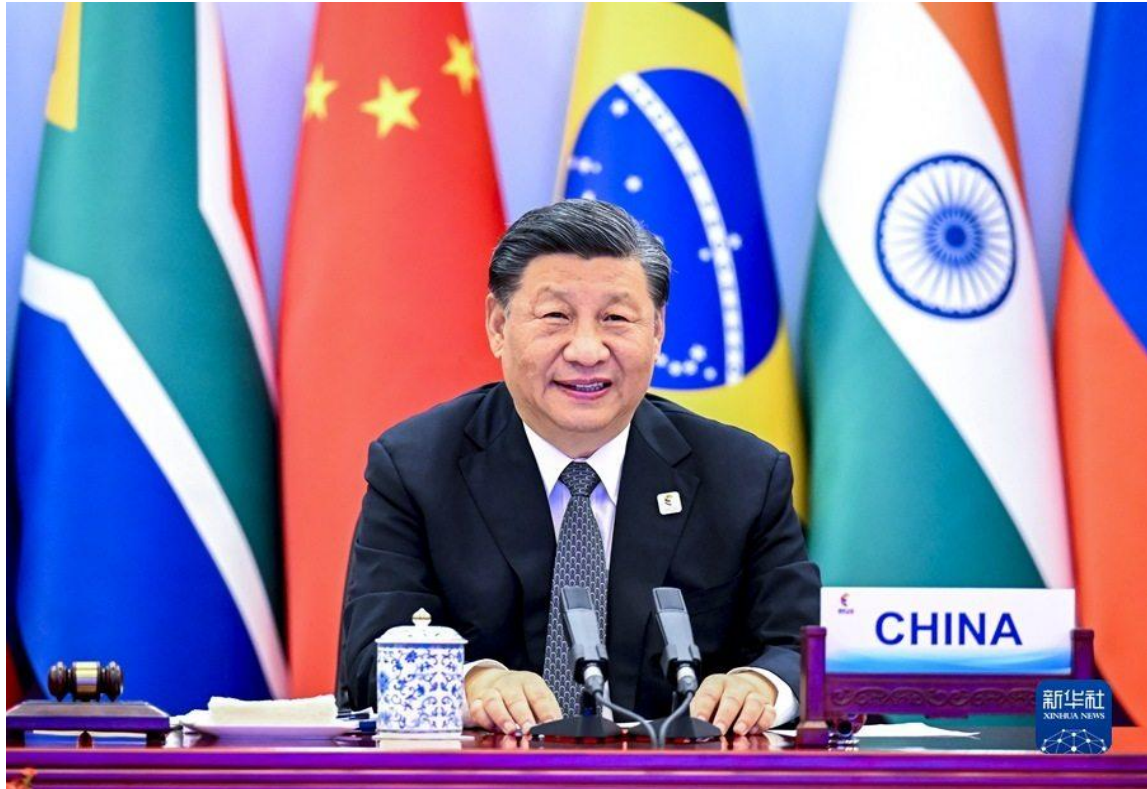
Chinese President Xi Jinping attended the opening ceremony of the BRICS Industrial and Trade Forum in Beijing via video link. Xi Jinping stressed that despite the changing international situation, the historical trend of openness and development will not change, nor will the desire to work together and overcome challenges.

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***Xi Jinping: BRICS countries should bring positive, stable and constructive force to the world***



Chinese President Xi Jinping presided over the 14th BRICS Summit via video link in Beijing and pointed out that last year the COVID-19 pandemic spread everywhere, the recovery of the world economy was troublesome and peace and security issues were increasingly serious. In the face of the difficult and complex situation, the BRICS countries had always firmly adhered to the BRICS spirit of openness, tolerance and win-win cooperation, strengthened solidarity and cooperation, and jointly overcome the difficulties, he said. The BRICS mechanism had proved its resilience and vitality, and BRICS cooperation had achieved positive progress and results.

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# I. The 14th BRICS Summit

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## ***"BRICS power" to tackle global challenges***



The theme of the 14th BRICS Summit is "Building a High-Quality Partnership and Shaping a New Era of Global Development Together". China, which is chairing the BRICS Cooperation Mechanism this year, has successfully organised more than 70 meetings and events, laying a solid foundation for the Summit. [Full text \[German\]](#)

## ***Foreign Ministry: 2022 is a true "China Year" for BRICS***

Chinese Foreign Ministry spokesperson Wang Wenbin spoke to the press of a true "China Year" 2022 for the BRICS countries. As BRICS President, China has successfully held over 70 conferences and events thanks to support from various parties, which have massively promoted BRICS cooperation in various aspects, Wang Wenbin said.



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### ***Driving force for the recovery of the entire global***



On 17 June, Zhang Shaogang, Vice President of the China Council for the Promotion of International Trade (CCPIT), announced at a press conference that this year's "BRICS Business Forum" (Economic Forum) will be held in Beijing on 22 June in an online-offline hybrid format.

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### ***China's foreign trade with other BRICS countries increases in the first five months of 2022***

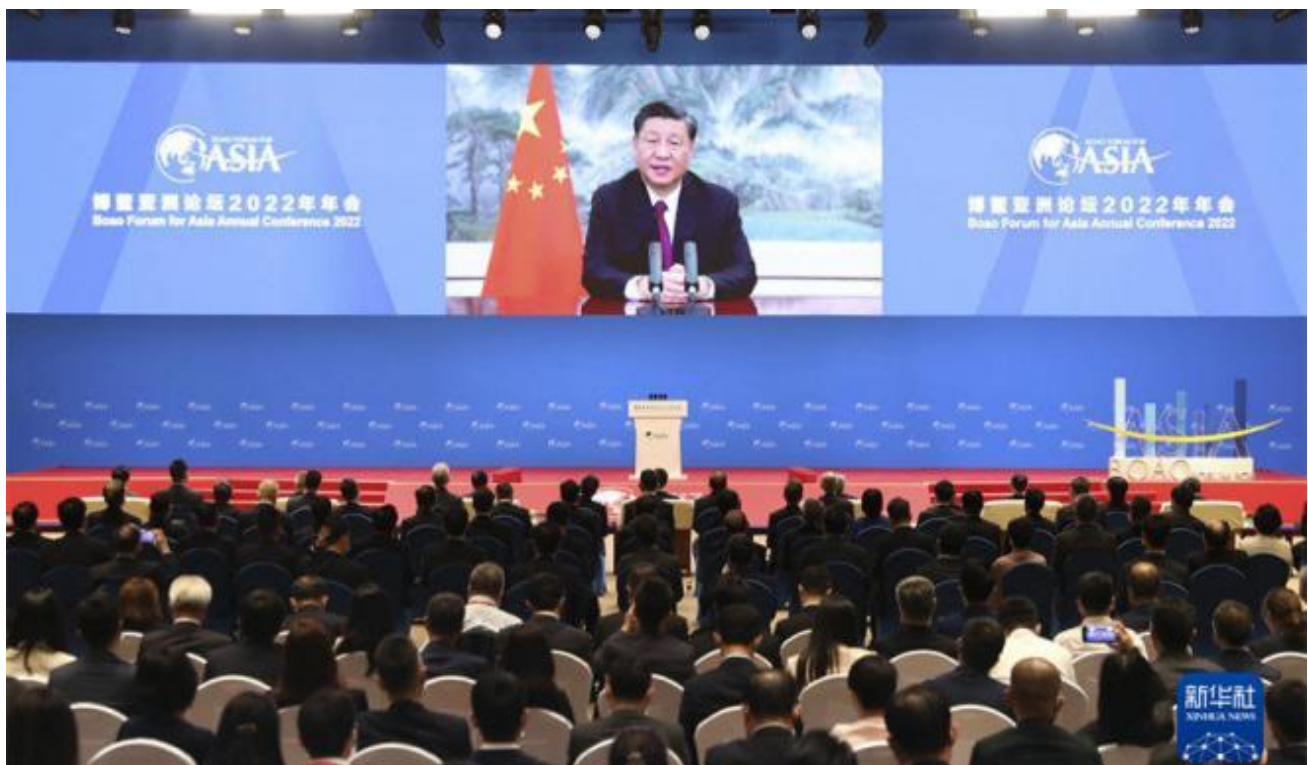
China's bilateral trade with the other four BRICS countries Russia, Brazil, India and South Africa continued to increase in the first five months of the current year. This is according to data released by China's Main Customs Bureau on Tuesday.

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### ***Xi Jinping's Global Security Initiative is exactly what Asia and the world need***

"Security is a prerequisite for development, and humanity is an indivisible security community". With these words, Chinese President Xi Jinping proposed a global security initiative when he addressed the opening ceremony of the 2022 Annual Conference of the Boao Forum for Asia via video, which was followed with great attention by the international community.



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### ***Echo from Boao: Acting in solidarity, moving forward together***

Confronted with this multitude of challenges, the world recently turned its gaze to the southern Chinese island province of Hainan, more precisely to the coastal city of Boao. This is because the annual conference of the Boao Asia Forum 2022 took place there last month. Under the motto "Corona and the World: Jointly Promoting Global Development and Shaping a Common Future", China presented its concepts for solving global challenges to the world.

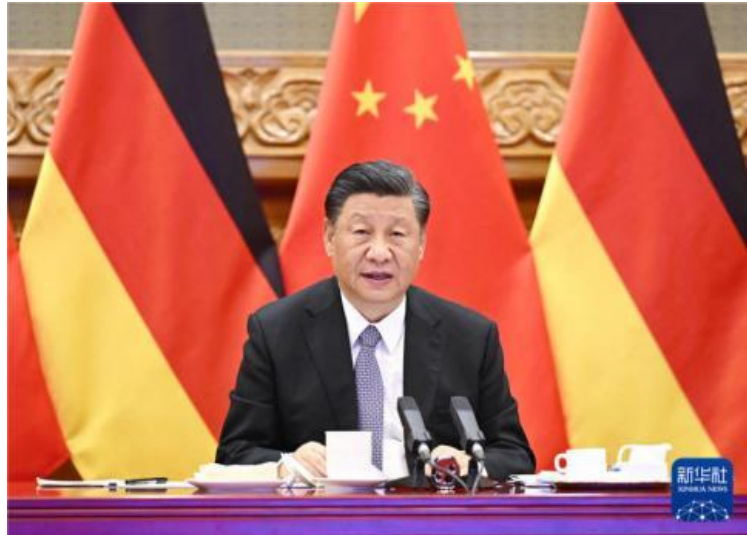
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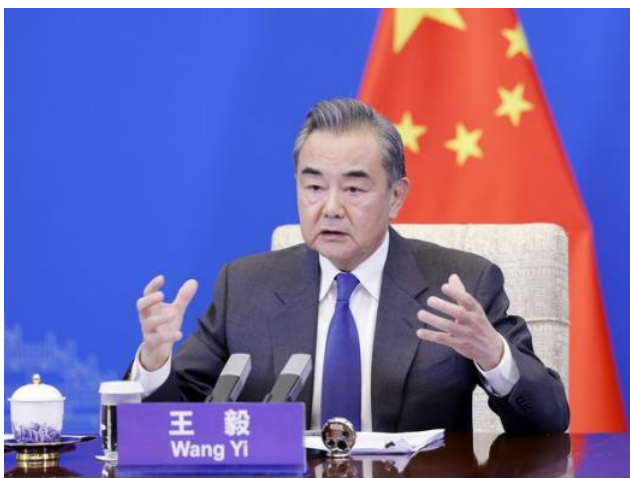
### ***Europe's security should be in its own hands***

Chinese President Xi Jinping had a video conversation with German Chancellor Olaf Scholz and a telephone conversation with French President Emmanuel Macron. In both conversations, the Chinese President expressed his support for European countries to take European security into their own hands.

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### ***Wang Yi: Global security initiative bridges peace deficit***



The Global Security Initiative bridges the peace deficit and points the way to resolving global security dilemmas. This was said by Chinese State Councilor and Foreign Minister Wang Yi on Thursday as he hosted the BRICS Foreign Ministers' video conference.

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#### ***Xi Jinping on the phone with Russian President Vladimir Putin***



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The two heads of state exchanged views on the Ukraine issue during the phone call. Xi Jinping stressed that all parties should contribute to a proper resolution of the Ukraine crisis in a responsible manner. China is ready to continue playing its due role in this regard, Xi Jinping said.

#### ***China unveils its third aircraft carrier***

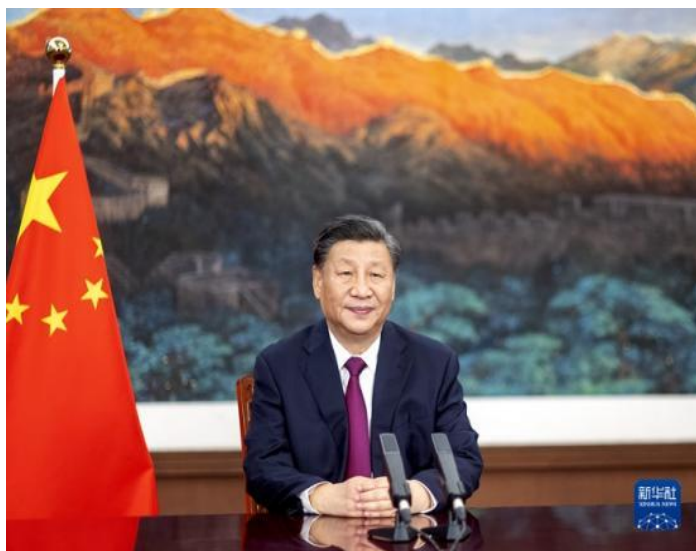
China unveiled its third aircraft carrier in Shanghai on Friday, naming it after the eastern coastal province of Fujian.

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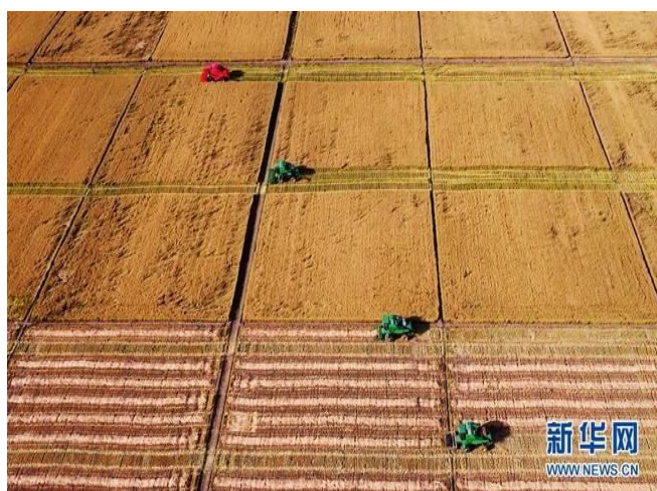
### ***Xi Jinping reaffirms solidarity and cooperation of emerging and developing countries***

Chinese President Xi Jinping pointed out in his video address to the opening ceremony of the BRICS Foreign Ministers' Meeting that the international situation is currently characterised by increasing instability, insecurity and uncertainty. However, the theme of the age, namely peace and development, remains unchanged, Xi Jinping said.



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### ***China takes action to ensure food security***



China has recently published an action plan to expand the cultivation of soybeans and oil crops on state farms to ensure national food security and the supply of essential agricultural products

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### ***Preclinical trials show efficacy of Chinese mRNA vaccines***

According to a study published in a scientific journal, CanSino's two mRNA vaccines have proven effective in preclinical tests against both the COVID-19 variant of origin and the beta and omicron variants. Tests with humans are now to follow shortly.



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### ***Severity for non-risk groups in Shanghai at zero***



A study on the course of the omicron infection wave in China's metropolis of Shanghai has shown that the symptoms are mild in almost all cases. Risk factors are old age and underlying diseases.

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#### ***Some Chinese cities shorten the quarantine period on a trial basis***



At least three cities in China - Beijing, Nanjing and Wuhan - have apparently reduced the quarantine period for international entrants by three to seven days on a trial basis, now requiring only seven days of central quarantine and another seven days of home quarantine, the Global Times learned on Sunday.

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#### ***Jiangsu: Changzhou accelerates resumption of production***

Due to the Covid-19 outbreaks, Changzhou in East China's Jiangsu province has had a number of restriction measures in place over the past few months. Now, the city government has taken a series of measures to resume work and production at an accelerated pace while ensuring further containment of COVID-19 infections.



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### ***Trade cooperation between China and CEEC further expanded despite COVID-19***

Trade cooperation between China and Central and Eastern European Countries (CEECs) has gone from strength to strength despite the COVID 19 pandemic.

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### ***Beijing: COVID-19 transmission chain successfully interrupted***



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Beijing has effectively broken the chain of transmission of COVID-19 as no infections have been reported outside quarantine zones for five consecutive days and no new high-risk areas have been found so far, a municipal government official told a press conference.

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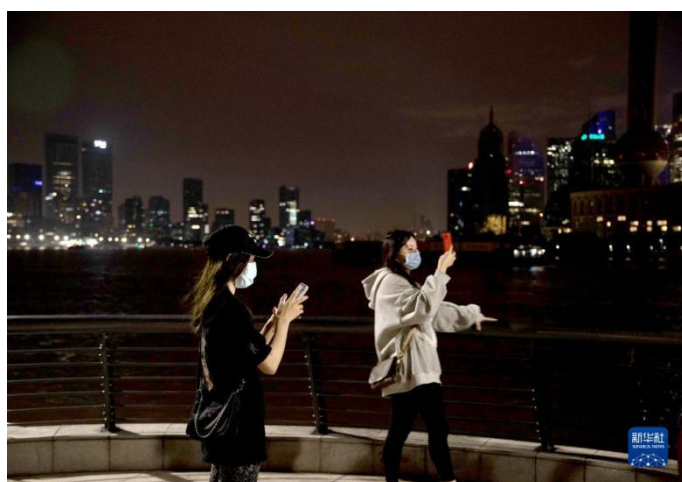
#### ***Shopping festival: Massive support for the consumer sector in China***

China's week-long mid-year online shopping festival ("6.18" stands for 18 June) has got off to a steady start thanks to the resumption of business activity and pro-growth policy stimulus, which analysts say could boost consumption as the impact of COVID-19 fades.



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#### ***Shanghai returns to normality from 1 June***



The Shanghai Municipal Government announced that production and daily life in the eastern Chinese metropolis will be fully restored to normal from 1 June.

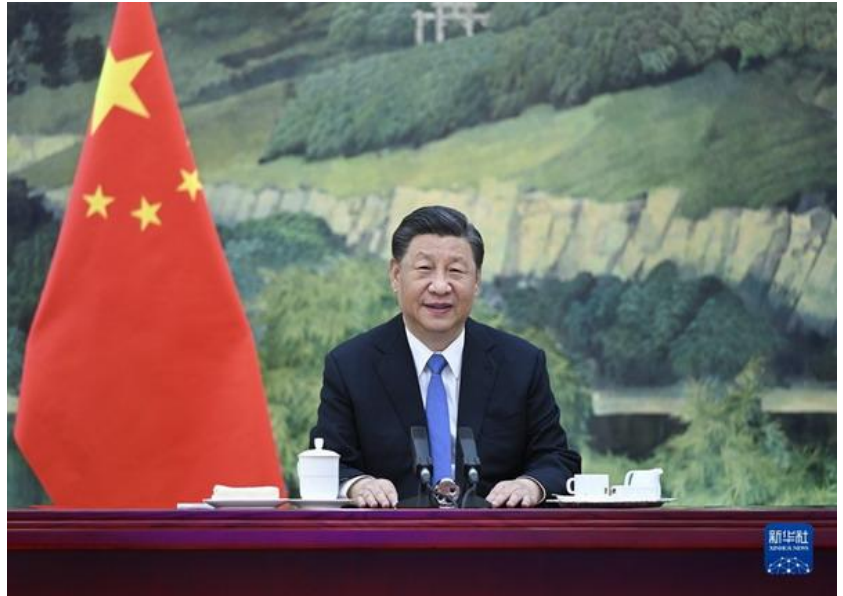
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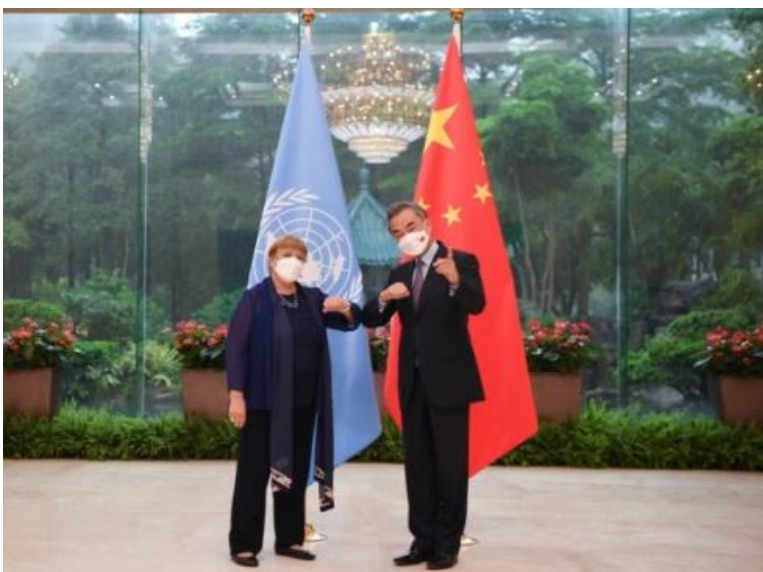
### ***Xi Jinping talks with Michelle Bachelet***

Chinese President Xi Jinping met with the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights, Michelle Bachelet, for a video call. Xi Jinping stressed that since its foundation, the Chinese Communist Party has set itself the task of working for the happiness of the Chinese people and the great resurrection of the Chinese nation.



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### ***Wang Yi explains China's position on human rights issues***



The Chinese State Councilor and Foreign Minister, Wang Yi, explained the Chinese position on human rights issues during a meeting with the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights, Michelle Bachelet, in the southern Chinese province of Guangdong.

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### ***Vice Foreign Minister Ma Zhaoxu on the visit of UN High Commissioner for Human Rights Bachelet to China***

Chinese Vice Foreign Minister Ma Zhaoxu provided information on the China visit of United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights Michelle Bachelet.



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### ***The West will not succeed in creating an "Iron Curtain" for human rights***



Michelle Bachelet ended her six-day visit to China on May 28. It was the first visit by a UN High Commissioner for Human Rights in 17 years. Bachelet informed about her visit in a virtual press conference.

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### ***Human rights investigation in the USA should be put on the agenda***



At the 50th session of the UN Human Rights Council in Geneva, a representative of Cuba, on behalf of nearly 70 countries, recently issued a statement against interference in China's internal affairs under the pretext of human rights. [Click here to know more](#)

### ***Foreign Ministry: China did not set conditions for Bachelet's visit to China***

China has not set any conditions for the visit of the UN High Commissioner for Human Rights, Michelle Bachelet, to China. This was emphasised by the spokesperson of the Chinese Foreign Ministry, Zhao Lijian.

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#### ***Xi'an: Unleashing the economic potential of outdoor and night markets***



The city of Xi'an, capital of western China's Shaanxi Province, has recently taken a number of measures to boost the economy in the outdoor and night markets and unleash their consumption potential.

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#### ***China pushes the pace on wind and solar energy***



China's government has announced that it will increase the expansion of wind and solar energy projects in the desert and other arid regions of the country. Up to three trillion yuan (421.5 billion euros) are to be made available for this purpose.

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#### ***Two-thirds of European companies record sales growth in China***



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Two-thirds of European companies operating in China saw year-on-year sales growth of 24 percent in 2021. This is according to a report published by the European Chamber of Commerce in China. However, the report also lists challenges such as the pandemic, the slowdown in the domestic economy and changes in the global environment that could make business difficult for most of them.

#### ***Foreign Ministry: China's solid economic performance further strengthens international confidence in China's economic development prospects***

As the impact of a series of measures to effectively coordinate epidemic prevention and control, as well as economic and social development, becomes increasingly evident, the solid performance of the Chinese economy has further strengthened the international community's confidence in China's economic development prospects.



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### ***China's most northern free trade zone aims for high-quality development with the help of digitalisation***

The Suifenhe Area of China (Heilongjiang) Free Trade Zone, the northernmost free trade zone in the country, is striving to build a digital free trade zone despite the COVID-19 pandemic to achieve high-quality development with the help of digitalisation.



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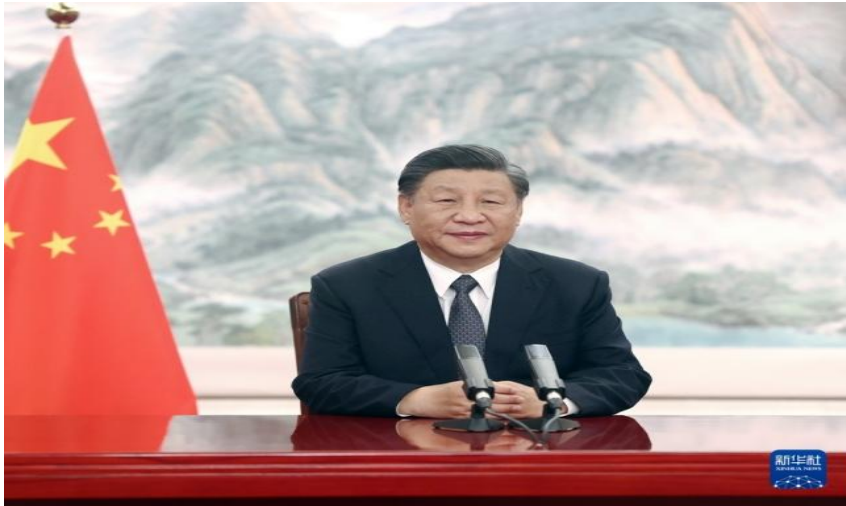
### ***Chinese shopping festival revives consumption after Omikron setback***



China's consumption was recently hit hard by the omicron wave, which has since been largely brought back under control. The "618" shopping festival is now playing a major role in reviving nationwide consumption.

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#### ***Xi Jinping stresses the need to advance economic globalisation***



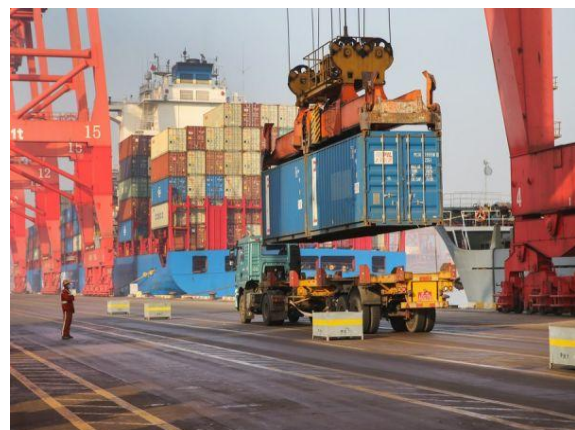
Chinese President Xi Jinping stressed the need to advance economic globalisation. Xi said in his video address to the plenary session of the 25th Saint Petersburg International Economic Forum (SPIEF) that it was important for all countries to strengthen the "soft connectivity" of development policies and international rules and standards.

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#### ***China pushes the development of a unified national market***

China's accelerated push to build a national single market will create a broader development space for all stakeholders, including foreign companies, and signal an important step towards deepening market-oriented reforms and promoting high-quality development.

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