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CHINA AND RUSSIA REAFFIRM STRATEGIC COORDINATION AMID GLOBAL FLUX

China and Russia reiterated their commitment to strengthening strategic coordination amid shifting global geopolitics. The engagement reflects continued alignment between Beijing and Moscow on key international issues, including regional security, global governance, and resistance to Western-led strategic pressure.



CHINA HIGHLIGHTS CONFIDENCE IN ECONOMIC AND POLITICAL STABILITY

Chinese officials projected confidence in the country's political and economic trajectory, emphasising governance continuity and long-term development goals. The messaging reflects Beijing's effort to reassure domestic and international audiences amid slowing growth and external geopolitical pressure.



CHINA SETS LOWEST GROWTH TARGET SINCE 1991 AMID RISING PRESSURES

China has set its lowest economic growth target since 1991, signalling a more cautious policy approach amid structural challenges, weak demand, and geopolitical headwinds. The move reflects Beijing's attempt to balance stability with realistic economic expectations.



CHINA'S TOP LEGISLATURE MEETING SHRINKS AMID POLITICAL TIGHTENING

China's annual top lawmakers' meeting was reportedly the smallest under Xi Jinping, reflecting tighter political control and the continuing impact of internal purges. The development signals a more centralised and disciplined political environment in Beijing.



CHINA SIGNALS STRATEGIC FOCUS ON HIGH-QUALITY DEVELOPMENT

Chinese policymakers reiterated their commitment to “high-quality development,” innovation, and economic resilience during key political meetings. The emphasis reflects Beijing’s broader effort to shift from rapid growth toward more sustainable and strategically secure economic expansion.



CHINA UNVEILS POLICY PRIORITIES AT ANNUAL POLITICAL MEETINGS

At its annual “Two Sessions,” China laid out policy priorities focused on economic stability, technological innovation, national security, and social development. The meetings serve as a key platform for outlining Beijing’s strategic direction for the year ahead.



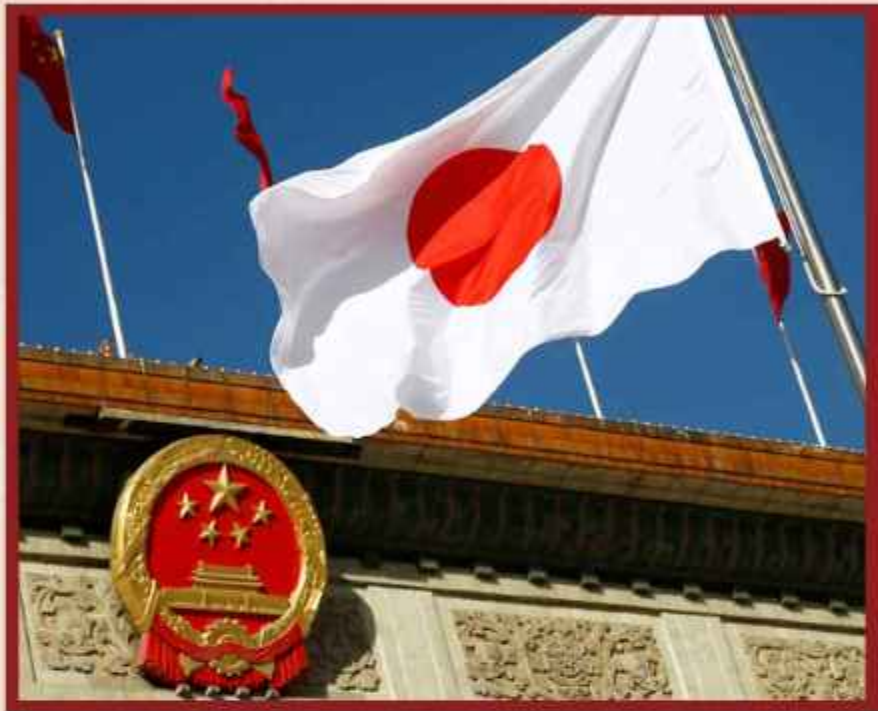
US AND CHINA CLASH OVER FENTANYL AND TARIFFS AT GLOBAL DRUGS MEETING

The United States and China clashed over fentanyl-related tariffs and anti-drug cooperation at an international narcotics forum. The exchange highlights the continuing strain in bilateral relations, where law enforcement and public health issues remain entangled with broader strategic rivalry.



CHINA STRESSES MODERNISATION AND REFORM AGENDA

Chinese leadership underscored the importance of modernisation, reform, and long-term national development as part of its broader governance agenda. The messaging reinforces Beijing's effort to project policy continuity and strategic confidence amid external and domestic challenges.



JAPAN PLANS TO DOWNGRADE CHINA TIES AMID PERSISTENT TENSIONS

Japan is reportedly preparing to downgrade its description of relations with China from “most important,” reflecting worsening bilateral tensions. The shift highlights Tokyo’s growing strategic unease over security, maritime disputes, and Beijing’s regional posture.



US FCC BANS FOREIGN-MADE ROUTERS OVER SECURITY RISKS

The US Federal Communications Commission banned all foreign-made routers over national security concerns, a move widely seen as targeting Chinese technology. The decision reflects intensifying technological decoupling and Washington's effort to secure critical digital infrastructure.



TAIWAN INVESTIGATES CHINESE FIRMS FOR POACHING TECH TALENT

Taiwan is probing 11 Chinese firms accused of illegally recruiting Taiwanese technology professionals. The investigation reflects growing concerns over talent leakage, industrial espionage, and the broader technological competition across the Taiwan Strait.



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