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The 20th National Congress of the Communist Party of China (CPC) has been proposed to be convened on October 16, after the political bureau of the CPC Central Committee held a meeting on August 30 to discuss relevant matters. The photo shows the Great Hall of the People in Beijing. (Photo/Xinhua)

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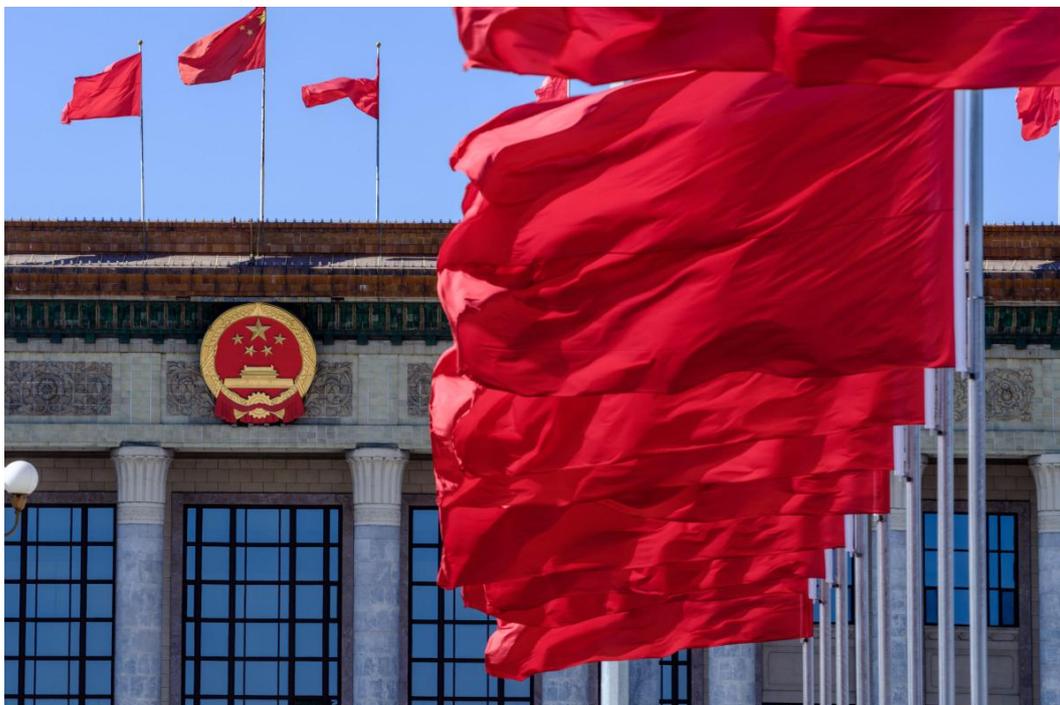
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I. Focus on China

1. CPC sets out plans for key 20th Congress



A key meeting of the Communist Party of China on August 30 proposed that the Party's 20th National Congress will be convened in Beijing on Oct 16, highlighting the event as an occasion to continue promoting common prosperity and the building of a community with a shared future for mankind.

The meeting of the Political Bureau of the CPC Central Committee — the Party's core leadership — reviewed the preparatory work for the Seventh Plenary Session of the 19th CPC Central Committee and the Party's twice-a-decade National Congress.

The Congress will be held as the whole Party and nation embark on a new journey toward building a modern socialist country in all respects and working toward the second centenary goal — developing China into a great modern socialist country that is prosperous, strong, democratic, culturally advanced, harmonious and beautiful by the middle of this century.

The Congress will review the work of the CPC over the past five years, as

well as major achievements and key experiences, and will thoroughly analyze the international and domestic situations, according to a summary of the meeting.

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2. Xi stresses revitalization of northeast China



President Xi Jinping has stressed greater sense of responsibility and endeavors in the revitalization of China's northeast region in the new era.

During his inspection tour in Liaoning Province from 16 to 17 August, Xi, also general secretary of the Communist Party of China (CPC) Central Committee and chairman of the Central Military Commission, called for breaking new ground in the revitalization and development of the northeastern province.

Xi called for coordinating the COVID-19 response with economic and social development, balancing development and security imperatives, fully and faithfully implementing the new development philosophy, and firmly promoting high-quality development.

Efforts should be made to promote common prosperity for all, advance the modernization of China's system and capacity for governance, and deepen the

Party's full and rigorous self-governance, to set the stage for the 20th National Congress of the CPC, said Xi.

Read more: <https://bit.ly/3xtP0RY>

3. Xi sends congratulatory letter to China int'l services trade fair



Chinese President Xi Jinping sent a congratulatory letter to the 2022 China International Fair for Trade in Services (CIFTIS), which opened on August 31 in Beijing.

The CIFTIS is a crucial platform for China to expand opening-up, deepen cooperation and pioneer innovation, which has made a positive contribution to promoting the development of global services industry and services trade, Xi said in the letter.

China stays committed to promoting high-quality development by high-level opening-up, broadening market access in the services sector, facilitating opening-up in cross-border services trade, expanding the function of opening-up platforms, and striving to establish a high-standard opening-up system for the services sector, Xi said.

He stressed that China is ready to work with other countries to uphold real multilateralism, inclusiveness and win-win cooperation, and jointly promote the open and shared services economy to inject impetus into the recovery of the global economy.

Themed "cooperate for better development, innovate for a greener future," the 2022 CIFTIS is co-hosted by the Ministry of Commerce and the Beijing municipal government. It will run through Sept. 5.

4. PLA aims to become modernized, world-class military



The Chinese People's Liberation Army will strive to become a modernized, world-class military that can meet China's security needs and developmental interests, State Councilor and Minister of National Defense General Wei Fenghe said on July 31.

August 1 marks the 95th anniversary of the founding of the PLA. Xi Jinping, general secretary of the Communist Party of China Central Committee, attended a reception celebrating the occasion in Beijing on July 31.

Entrusted by Xi, who is also Chinese president and chairman of the Central Military Commission, and on behalf of the Communist Party of China Central Committee, the State Council and the Central Military Commission, Wei conveyed

Xi's appreciation to the uniformed personnel and the civilian staff serving the PLA and the People's Armed Police Force, as well as to those who contributed mightily to China's military development.

Since its creation by the Communist Party of China, the PLA has been dedicated to fighting for national independence and liberation, as well as for the prosperity of the country, Wei said during his toast to guests at the reception.

Over the past 95 years, the PLA has provided unflinching support for the nation's sovereignty, security and development interests. It has also made a significant contribution to world peace and stability, Wei added.

Read more: <https://bit.ly/3BEKA5>

5. China's foreign trade sustains growth as economic recovery consolidates



China's foreign trade sustained growth momentum in the first eight months of the year, a positive indicator of economic recovery, as the government continues to roll out measures to spur economic growth and stabilize foreign trade.

China's foreign trade in goods jumped 10.1 percent year on year to 27.3 trillion yuan (about 3.95 trillion U.S. dollars) in the first eight months, official data

showed on September 7.

Exports rose 14.2 percent year on year to 15.48 trillion yuan. Imports increased 5.2 percent from a year ago to 11.82 trillion yuan, leading to a trade surplus of 3.66 trillion yuan, according to the General Administration of Customs (GAC).

In August alone, the country's foreign trade volume climbed 8.6 percent year on year to 3.71 trillion yuan, with the exports and imports up 11.8 percent and 4.6 percent from a year ago, respectively.

From January to August, China's trade with its top three trading partners -- the Association of Southeast Asian Nations, the European Union, and the United States -- grew 14 percent, 9.5 percent, and 10.1 percent, respectively.

Read more: <https://bit.ly/3Sawjef>

II. China's Diplomacy

6. Xi sends congratulatory letter to 5th Forum on China-Africa Media Cooperation



Chinese President Xi Jinping on August 25 sent a congratulatory letter to the

5th Forum on China-Africa Media Cooperation.

Noting China and African countries are a community with a shared future that go through thick and thin together, Xi said the media of both sides shoulder major responsibilities regarding enhancing mutual trust and cooperation, upholding world peace and promoting global development.

Xi said since it was founded ten years ago, the Forum has provided an important platform for Chinese and African media to facilitate dialogue and cooperation, and played an active role in promoting exchanges of civilizations and deepening the comprehensive strategic cooperative partnership between China and Africa.

Xi urged media of both sides to continue upholding the spirit of a friendly China-Africa cooperation, and work to promote people-to-people exchanges, safeguard fairness and justice and advance global development, to better tell stories about China-Africa cooperation in the new era, promulgate common values of all humanity and contribute to building a community with a shared future for mankind.

7. China calls on UN to support capacity-building in Africa



On August 8, the Chinese ambassador to the United Nations called on the international body to secure a durable peace in Africa and to explore ways to support capacity-building on the continent to address challenges.

"China and Africa have always supported each other and shared weal and woe. Africa's experiences and needs resonate with us as a developing country," Zhang Jun, China's permanent representative to the UN, said at the UN Security Council open debate "Peace and Security in Africa: Capacity-building for Sustaining Peace".

China last week assumed the rotating presidency of the Security Council for August, with the priorities of facilitating dialogue and cooperation for common security and supporting Africa's capacity-building for sustaining peace.

Monday's open debate was one of the signature events that China is planning to convene during its August presidency.

Read more: <https://bit.ly/3LIID8Z>

8. China and Africa reaffirmed their commitment to building a community with a shared future in the new era



China and Africa have reaffirmed their commitment to building a community with a shared future in the new era in order to enhance their fruitful cooperation

and add fresh impetus to global development and stability.

During the Coordinators' Meeting on the Implementation of the Follow-up Actions of the Eighth Ministerial Conference of the Forum on China-Africa Cooperation held via video link on August 18, both sides reached a wide range of consensuses on strengthening bilateral and multilateral cooperation and coordination.

They will synergize the Belt and Road Initiative and the Global Development Initiative with the African Union's Agenda 2063 and African countries' national development strategies in order to elevate China-Africa cooperation to higher levels, said a joint statement issued after the meeting, which was chaired by State Councilor and Foreign Minister Wang Yi and attended by senior officials from African countries and the AU.

Read more: <https://bit.ly/3DurY1a>

Full text of the Joint Statement: <https://bit.ly/3UqVefw>

9. China's vaccine regulatory system passes latest WHO assessment



China's vaccine regulatory system has passed an assessment by the World Health Organization (WHO), in recognition of the country's regulatory capability

to ensure vaccine safety, quality and effectiveness.

The WHO evaluation of the national vaccine regulatory system is a world-recognized international assessment that can scientifically and comprehensively assess the level of vaccine regulation in a country.

China passed similar WHO assessments in 2011 and 2014.

The fact that China's vaccine regulatory system has passed its latest evaluation means the country has a stable vaccine regulatory system, which can ensure that vaccines produced, imported or distributed in China are of controllable quality, safe and effective, according to Gauden Galea, the WHO representative to China.

China's latest successful WHO assessment also creates favorable conditions for the export of Chinese vaccines, said Huang Guo, deputy head of the National Medical Products Administration. He said that China can make more contributions to promoting future vaccine accessibility and affordability around the world, especially in developing countries.

10. Some Facts About Pelosi's Visit to Taiwan



Speaker of the US House of Representatives Nancy Pelosi made a provocative visit to China's Taiwan region recently in disregard of the Chinese side's stern warnings. The visit seriously infringes on China's sovereignty and security, seriously undermines China's territorial integrity, seriously jeopardizes peace and stability across the Taiwan Strait, and seriously erodes the political foundation of China-US relations. The Chinese side has been compelled to take countermeasures. The US side has been pushing disinformation to confuse right and wrong and confound black and white, criticizing China's legitimate countermeasures and trying to mislead the world about the Taiwan question. It is necessary to set the record straight with facts and lay bare the US's hegemonic nature and gangster logic.

Read more: <https://bit.ly/3QOkARo>

III. China-Tanzania Relations and Embassy Updates

11. Ambassador Chen Mingjian contributes an article to major Tanzanian newspapers to mark the 95th anniversary of PLA's founding

Ambassador Chen Mingjian contributed an article to The Citizen and Habari Leo, two major Tanzanian newspapers on August 1 to celebrate the 95th anniversary of the founding of the Chinese People's Liberation Army (PLA). Titled "China has always been the defender of regional and world peace and stability", the article reviewed the 95-year history of the PLA, in particular the historic achievements made by the PLA in the new era, stressing that the PLA has always been a pioneer in safeguarding regional and world peace.

Full text of the article: <https://bit.ly/3QI1RHa>

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China has always been the defender of regional and world peace and stability

▶ CHEN MINGJIAN



August 1, 2022 marks the 95th founding anniversary of the Chinese People's Liberation Army (PLA). On August 1 nine-five years ago the ginseng in Nanjing city of China was like lightning through the night sky and marked the birth of PLA. Since then, this people's military has been valiantly devoted to seeking liberation and happiness for the Chinese people and fighting for independence and rejuvenation of the Chinese nation.

PLA has gone through a remarkable journey. During the past 95 years, under the absolute and strong leadership of the Communist Party of China (CPC) and with extreme bravery, courage, devotion and sacrifice, the PLA has fought numerous battles and succeeded the revolutionary cause of liberating the Chinese people. Especially during the World Anti-Fascist War, PLA together with Chinese people, fought tenaciously and gallantly for 14 years, held ground in the main theater in the East of the war, thus making major contribution to its victory.

After the founding of the People's Republic of China in 1949, the PLA has effectively safeguarded national sovereignty, unity and territorial integrity whilst actively taken part in various and numerous national development activities. In the meantime, the PLA has secured extraordinary achievements in military building, grown from small to big, from weak to strong. Especially the past 10 years has witnessed the historic and remarkable changes and achievements in all aspects of PLA development, noticeably the leapfrog development and great achievements in weaponry and equipment.

An equipment system with the third-generation equipment as the mainstay and the fourth-generation as the backbone has been basically established which enables the PLA not only to effectively defend China but also to safeguard regional and world peace and stability.

PLA has been a vanguard force in safeguarding regional and international peace. PLA has been actively

participated in regional and international peace initiatives. In United Nations Peacekeeping Operation (UNPKO), China first participated in 1990. Over the past 30 years, China's armed forces have contributed nearly 50,000 service members to 25 UN peacekeeping missions and Chinese military peacekeepers have left their footprints in over 20 countries and regions including such African countries as the Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC), Liberia, Sudan, South Sudan, Mali and the Central African Republic.

China is the second largest contributor to both peacekeeping assessment and UN membership fees, and the largest troop-contributing country among the permanent members of the UN Security Council. Sixteen Chinese military peacekeepers have sacrificed their lives for the noble cause of peace. In safeguarding the maritime routes, China has dispatched naval ships to

carry out regular vessel protection operations in the Gulf of Aden and the waters off the coast of Somalia since December 2008. Until now they have provided security protection for over 6,000 Chinese and foreign ships, and rescued, protected or assisted over 70 ships in distress. In international Humanitarian Assistance and Disaster Relief (HADR), the PLA professionals were dispatched to conduct HADR operations in affected countries.

The PLA Navy's hospital ship Peace Ark has visited more than 40 countries and regions, having provided medical services to over 220,000 people, including two visits to Tanzania in October 2010 and November 2017, providing free medical treatment to more than 10,000 Tanzanian friends. The PLA actively participated in international anti-pandemic cooperation since COVID-19 broke out and has so far provided vaccine aid to the militaries of more than 30

countries. It has also carried out anti-pandemic cooperation with the militaries of over 50 countries, in the form of providing anti-pandemic supplies, sending military medical experts and holding experience-sharing video meetings.

The Chinese nation has achieved the tremendous transformation from standing up and growing prosperous to becoming strong, and that China's national rejuvenation has become a historical inevitability. China is marching toward the second centenary goal of building a great modern socialist country in all respects. On the journey ahead, the PLA will always resolutely safeguard national interests of China and continuously step up its efforts to fully transform into a world-class military.

Firstly, China will unswervingly pursue defensive national defence policy. China's socialist nature, strategic choice to take the road of peaceful development and independent foreign policy of peace, as well as the traditional Chinese culture advocating harmony, determine that China unswervingly pursues a defence policy that is defensive in nature. China will never seek hegemony, expansion or spheres of influence. Since the founding of the People's Republic of China in 1949, the Chinese military has never initiated any war or occupied any inch of another country's land. History has proved and will continue to prove that the Chinese military

has always been a staunch force in safeguarding world peace.

Secondly, China's military will always be the solid pillar for safeguarding national sovereignty, security and development interests. China must not lose an inch of the territory that our ancestors have left behind. Taiwan belongs to China. China's national unification will be absolutely realized. Peaceful reunification is the greatest aspiration of the Chinese people, and China is willing to do the utmost for that. However, if anyone dares to split Taiwan from the country, China will not hesitate to fight, even at any cost. The PLA will take all necessary measures as any cost to safeguard national unity. No one should underestimate the determination, will and power of the PLA.

Thirdly, China's military will always provide strong support for building a community with a shared future for mankind. As President Xi Jinping points out, "to build a community with a shared future for mankind so as to pass on the torch of peace from generation to generation, to sustain development and to make civilization flourish is what people of all countries long for and the irreversible trend of world development today". Guided by this thinking, the PLA will pursue the vision featuring common, comprehensive, cooperative and sustainable security and will earnestly fulfill its international responsibilities and obligations, further deepen bilateral and multilateral military and security cooperation and proactively provide more public security goods to the world.

China and Tanzania enjoyed a long history of friendly exchanges ever dated back to the early 15th century. Since the establishment of bilateral diplomatic relations nearly six decades ago, China and Tanzania have been devoted brothers, trustworthy friends and sincere partners. China has always regarded Tanzania as its best friend and placed the development of friendly relations with Tanzania in an important position in its foreign relations. In June last year, President Xi Jinping and President Samia Suluhu Hassan had a phone conversation, showing the right direction for the development of comprehensive partnership of cooperation and presenting important opportunities for the development of bilateral relations. China will constantly push forward and deepen our friendly exchanges and cooperation in all spectrum.

Eternal freedom and unity are highlighted in Tanzania national anthem. Sharing the same spirit and common goal, China is willing to maintain the global freedom and international unity with Tanzania hand in hand, and the PLA will work shoulder to shoulder with Tanzania People's Defence Force (TPDF) to safeguard our respective national security and contribute to building a world of lasting peace, universal security and common prosperity.

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Local patients board the Chinese naval hospital ship Peace Ark to receive free medical services in Dar es Salaam on November 20, 2017. (Xinhua/Reuters)

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12. Ambassador Chen Mingjian meets with Tanzania's Minister of State for Regional Administration and Local Government in President's Office



On August 1, Ambassador Chen Mingjian met with Hon. Innocent Bashungwa, Tanzania's Minister of State for Regional Administration and Local Government in President's Office at the Chinese Embassy in Dar es Salaam. The two sides had an in-depth and friendly discussion on China-Tanzania relations and the bilateral practical cooperation.

13. Ambassador Chen Mingjian meets with Tanzania's Minister for Natural Resources and Tourism Dr. Pindi Chana



On August 2, Ambassador Chen Mingjian met with Hon. Dr. Pindi Chana, Minister for Natural Resources and Tourism today in Dar es Salaam. Ambassador Chen thanked Minister Chana for her participation via video link in the 2022 China International Tourism Mart held in Kunming, southwest China's Yunnan Province from July 22 to July 24, and delivering a speech on behalf of African

countries. Amb. Chen informed Minister Chana that cooperation in tourism was added to the recently signed Implementation Program 2022-2025 of the Cultural Agreement between the Chinese and Tanzanian Governments, which Amb. Chen said laid an institutional foundation for the further exchanges and cooperation between China and Tanzania in the tourist sector.

Minister Chana thanked China for its friendly cooperation with Tanzania in tourism and other fields during the past years. She expressed her wish that Tanzania and China could strengthen exchanges in tourism, especially in smart tourism, artificial intelligence and big data.

14. President Samia Suluhu Hassan graced the inauguration of a 107.4km road built by Chinese companies



On August 9, President of Tanzania H.E. Samia Suluhu Hassan attended the inauguration ceremony of the 107.4km Njombe-Makete road held in Makete District, Njombe Region. The road was built by two Chinese companies, China Henan International Cooperation Group (CHICO) and China Railway Seventh Group (CRSG).

“This road is very crucial in unlocking business and tourism opportunities between Makete and neighbouring regions,” President Samia said at the

inauguration ceremony.

15. The 6th meeting of China-Tanzania Joint Economic, Technical and Committee is held



China and Tanzania reiterated strong aspiration to push forward pragmatic cooperation at the 6th meeting of the bilateral Joint Economic, Technical and Trade Committee held on August 19 via video link. The meeting was co-chaired by China’s Vice Minister of Commerce Mr. Qian Keming and Tanzania’s Minister of Finance and Planning Dr. Mwigulu Nchemba.

Chinese Ambassador to Tanzania H.E. Chen Mingjian, officials from China International Development Cooperation Agency (CIDCA), Tanzania’s Minister of Agriculture Hon. Hussein Bashe, Tanzanian Ambassador to China H.E. Mbelwa Kairuki, and representatives from relevant business chambers and provincial governments attended the meeting.

During the meeting, the two sides conducted in-depth exchanges of views on such matters as the implementation of the “nine programs” of China-Africa cooperation and the expansion of bilateral cooperation to new areas. Broad consensus was reached on matters concerning trade, investment, green

development and infrastructure construction. The two sides signed the minutes of the meeting afterwards.

16. Chinese Embassy in Tanzania resumes issuance of long-term study visa



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Notice on Resuming Applications for Long-term Study Visa

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From the date of the issuance of this notice, long-term foreign students who are going to China for academic education can submit their X1 visa applications to the Chinese Embassy. Application materials include the "Visa Application Form for Foreign Students in China" (JW201/202 Form), school admission notice (freshmen) or return certificate (senior students) and others as required. Families of students studying in China can apply to live with(S1 Visa) or visit their relatives(S2 Visa) in China. X2 Visa applications from short-term foreign students for non-academic education are not accepted as far.

Please refer to the link for more details of the requirements for Chinese visa application: http://tz.china-embassy.gov.cn/eng/lsw/ffg/202207/20220711_10718558.htm. If there's other question about Chinese visas, please contact the embassy by calling 255-746-948298 (Monday to Friday: 8:00--12:00AM).

Chinese Embassy in Tanzania

August 23rd, 2022

The Chinese Embassy in Tanzania on August 23 released a notice on its official website, informing the public that the Embassy has resumed issuance of long-term study visa.

Read the notice: <https://bit.ly/3DvJ5Qq>

17. Ambassador Chen Mingjian contributes an article to Tanzanian newspapers to expound China-Tanzania practical cooperation under the FOCAC framework

On August 25, Ambassador Chen Mingjian contributed an article to Daily News, The Citizen and Nipashe newspapers on China-Tanzania practical

cooperation under the framework of the Forum on China-Africa Cooperation (FOCAC). Titled “China and Tanzania Jointly Implementing Nine Programs Has Good Start and Bright Prospects”, the article expounds the progress achieved in the implementation of the follow-up actions of FOCAC’s Eighth Ministerial Conference, especially in the execution of the “nine programs”.

Read the article: <https://bit.ly/3RQJDo3>



IV. Chinese Community in Tanzania

18. Magufuli Bridge project successfully completed the first concrete pouring construction of the main pier cap



On August 20, with the completion of the last truck of concrete pouring, the Tanzania Magufuli Bridge project successfully completed the first concrete pouring construction of the main pier cap.

There are 3 main pier caps of the Magufuli Bridge, each is 35 meters long, 27.5 meters wide and 4 meters high, requiring 3,850 cubic meters of concrete. In order to ensure the quality and complete the pouring construction on time, the project team has formulated a detailed plan to ensure that there will be no mistake in the concrete mixing, transportation, pouring and other links during the construction process.

19. Association of Fujian Overseas Chinese in Tanzania donates 20 million/- worth of supplies to two Tanzanian orphanages



On August 7, the Association of Overseas Chinese from Fujian in Tanzania made donations to New Faraja Orphanage and Msimbazi Orphanage House in Dar es Salaam. The donations included 300kg of rice, 100kg of millet, 150kg of flour, 150kg of corn flour, 150 liters of edible oil, 300kg of fruits, 375kg of washing powder and other daily necessities, with a total value of over Tshs. 2,000,000. This will greatly improve the living conditions of the children in the aforementioned orphanages.

Mr. Chen Yong, President of the Association, said that helping others is a traditional virtue of the Chinese nation. Since its establishment, the association has been keen to contributing to the improvement of public welfare. It is hoped that these materials could bring warmth to the children and strengthen the bond between the peoples of China and Tanzania.