

Weekly Tibet News Digest

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The Department of Information and International Relations of the Central Tibetan Administration issues its response to the Chinese white paper. The Central Tibetan Administration's (CTA) response to the Chinese white paper challenges Beijing's claims that the legitimacy of His Holiness the 14th Dalai Lama of Tibet rests on the Chinese Communist Party's recognition and approval.

[Click here for the CTA's Response to the Chinese White Paper on Tibet](#)



His Holiness the Dalai Lama with Tibet supporters from the Indian Parliament along with Speaker and Deputy Speaker of Tibetan Parliament-in-Exile at Tsuklagkhang.

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[Top political advisor leads delegation to Tibet](#)

CCTV, September 06, 2015

China's top political advisor Yu Zhengsheng and his central government delegation has arrived in the Tibet Autonomous Region ahead of the 50th anniversary of the founding of the Tibet Autonomous Region.

[China issues white paper on Tibet, reaffirming regional ethnic autonomy](#)

Xinhua, September 06, 2015

China on Sunday issued a white paper on Tibet, reaffirming the current regional ethnic autonomous policy ahead of the 50th anniversary of the foundation of Tibet Autonomous Region.

[Full Text of White Paper "Successful Practice of Regional Ethnic Autonomy in Tibet"](#)

Political loyalty to China proclaimed as top priority in selecting Tibetan cadres

Tibetan Review, September 03, 2015

The local Chinese government of Tibet Autonomous Region (TAR) has said Sep 2 that it will be more meticulous in ensuring that people who in its view are separatists or supporters of separatism on any of the six criteria fixed by it will not be recruited as cadres.

Tibetans Defy Crackdown to Honor Monk Who Died in Police Custody

RFA, September 02, 2015

Residents of Tibetan-populated areas of China's Sichuan province over the weekend marked the passing of Tenzin Delek Rinpoche, a popular Tibetan monk who died in July under unexplained circumstances in a Chinese prison, despite a crackdown on discussion of the incident.

Whereabouts of arrested Rebkong monk still unknown, family worried

Phayul, August 31, 2015

The whereabouts of Gomar Choephel, 46, a Tibetan monk arrested from Rebkong in traditional Tibetan province of Amdo remain unknown even after 56 days since his arrest on July 7.

IN EXILE



His Holiness the Dalai Lama's Teaching in Dharamsala, HP, India from September 7 to 10

Dalailama.com

His Holiness the Dalai Lama will give teaching on Shantideva's A Guide to the Bodhisattva's Way of Life (chodjug) and at the request of a group from Asia including Indonesia, Korea, Malaysia, Singapore, Thailand and Vietnam at the Main Tibetan Temple from September 7-10.

Nothing to Celebrate in Tibet: Sikyong on 50th Anniversary of Tibet Autonomous Region

Tibet.net, September 04, 2015

"There is nothing to celebrate in Tibet. Tibet is still under occupation and Tibetans are still brutally repressed," Sikyong Dr. Lobsang Sangay, the democratically elected political leader of the Tibetan people addressed during his lecture at the Takshashila Institute in Bangalore.

Election Commission Explain Penalties for Violation of Electoral Regulations

Tibet.net, September 03, 2015

The Chief Election Commissioner Mr. Sonam Choephel Shosur explained the rules and regulations announced earlier by the election commission to ensure uniformity in campaign for the upcoming elections for Sikyong and Tibetan Parliament-in-Exile.

US Conveys Deep Concern on Violation of Religious freedom in Tibet

Tibet.net, September 03, 2015

Days after a top US diplomat concluded his visit to China to discuss issues of human rights' violations and religious freedom, the US has asked China to reassess its policies, which impose restrictions on religious freedom in Tibet.

Tibetans Celebrate 55th Anniversary of Tibetan Democratic Reforms

Tibet.net, September 02, 2015

Thousands of Tibetans and Tibetan friends today gathered at Tsuklakhang courtyard to celebrate the joyous occasion of its 55th anniversary of Democracy day.

COLUMN

China Sticks to Its Guns on Tibet

by Jayadeva Ranade, The New Indian Express, September 03, 2015

At its Sixth Tibet Work Forum held in Beijing over the weekend on August 25-26, China unequivocally emphasised the importance of security, stability and the struggle against 'separatism.'

STATEMENTS

[Has China decided the Future of Tibet?](#)

by Claude Arpi, September 02, 2015

A Tibet Work Forum usually decides the fate of the Roof of the World for the next 5 to 10 years. India should be concerned, as it also defines China's western borders policies. The previous Forum was held in Beijing in January 2010. Before that, four Tibet Work Conferences were organized in 1980, 1984, 1994 and 2001.

[“Remembering a Special Friend on a Special Day”](#)

by Theurang, High Peaks Pure Earth, September 04, 2015

Tashi Rabten (Pen name: Theurang) movingly recounts how he and Shokjang were detained together in 2010, showing a special bond between them. He clearly holds Shokjang in very high esteem.

PRESS RELEASE

[Tibet was Not Part of China But Middle Way Remains a Viable Solution](#)

Tibet.net, September 01, 2015

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[Full Text of the CTA's response to the Chinese White Paper on Tibet](#)



[Statement of Kashag on the 55th Anniversary of Tibetan Democracy Day](#)

Tibet.net, September 02, 2015

We can take pride in the fact that Tibetan administration in exile is functioning fully in accordance with democratic system. Our existing democratic polity, admired and recognized by many non-Tibetans, is not an outcome of people having fought or sacrificed for it; rather it is a precious gift from His Holiness the Great 14th Dalai Lama.

[Statement of the Tibetan Parliament in exile at the official function to mark the 55th anniversary of the Tibetan Democracy Day](#)

Tibet.net, September 02, 2015

Today, the responsibilities concerning the affairs of the democratically established Central Tibetan Administration lies on the shoulders of the leaders directly elected by the Tibetan people, its civil servants, and the general masses of the Tibetan people.

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