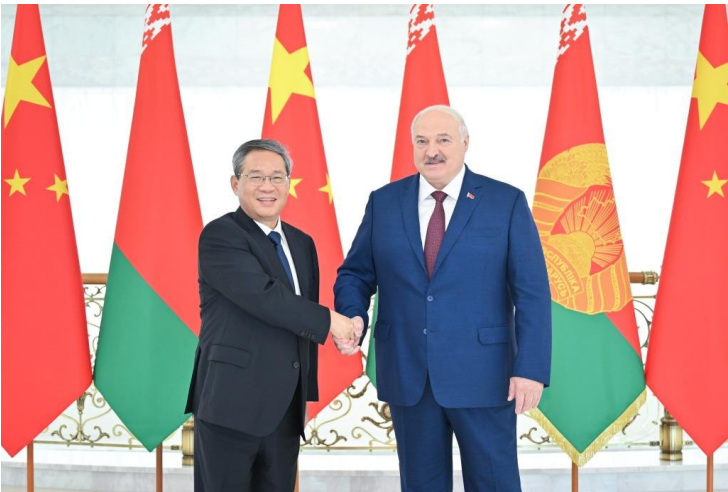


China, Belarus pledge to boost agriculture, freight trains cooperation

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China and Belarus pledged to promote their cooperation in agriculture and freight trains. In a joint communique issued following a meeting between Chinese Premier Li Qiang and Belarusian Prime Minister Roman Golovchenko, the two sides are ready to give full play to the huge potential of cooperation in agriculture and strengthen investment cooperation in this sector.

The two sides are willing to expand access to the Chinese market for agricultural and food products, said the document, adding that they welcome the entry of high-quality agricultural products into each other's markets and encourage their enterprises to participate in exhibitions and events held by the two countries.

Also in the communique, the two sides agreed to strengthen cooperation in the China-Europe Railway Express, set up an inter-governmental cooperation mechanism on the service, promote infrastructure connectivity, and jointly ensure the safety of the China-Europe freight train transport corridor. The two heads of state met in Astana earlier this July and made strategic arrangements on deepening bilateral relations.

Chinese Premier Li Qiang meets with Belarusian President Alexander Lukashenko at the Palace of Independence in Minsk, Be

Noting that China will continue to firmly support Belarus in pursuing a development path suited to its national conditions, Li said that China stands ready to further synergize development strategies with Belarus, solidly advance cooperation in various fields, steadily expand trade scale, effectively implement projects such as the China-Belarus Industrial Park, and continuously deepen people-to-people exchanges.

Li also said that China is willing to further strengthen multilateral cooperation with Belarus, jointly promote the Five Principles of Peaceful Coexistence, advocate an equal and orderly multipolar world and universally beneficial and inclusive economic globalization, promote the development of the global governance system towards a more just and reasonable direction, and safeguard the common interests of developing countries.