



PRESS STATEMENT ON THE OFFICIAL VISIT BY H.E. PRESIDENT WILLIAM RUTO, CGH, TO BEIJING FOR A STATE VISIT 22ND – 25TH APRIL 2025

1. At the invitation of H.E. Xi Jinping, President of the People's Republic of China, H.E. William Ruto, President of the Republic of Kenya, will make a State Visit from 22nd - 26th April, 2025. This is a manifestation of the importance China attaches to Kenya-China relations.
2. While in Beijing, H.E. The President will hold bilateral talks with his counterpart H.E. Xi Jinping. H.E. The President will also meet with Senior Government and Party Officials amongst them H.E. Li Qiang, Chinese Premier and H.E. Zhao Leji, Chairman of the 14th National People's Congress.
3. H.E President Ruto will also meet officials from key private sector corporations where he will pitch for more investment towards infrastructure development, health, manufacturing, ICT, green energy and agriculture. H.E. President will also give a lecture at one of China's oldest and esteemed universities.
4. The State Visit will focus on strengthening Kenya-China strategic relationship, fostering a closer community with a shared future, and promoting modernisation through tangible cooperation initiatives and projects that address Kenya's national development priorities.
5. H. E. President Ruto is accompanied by the Prime Cabinet Secretary and Cabinet Secretary for Foreign and Diaspora Affairs and Cabinet Secretaries for Roads and Transport; Investment, Trade and Industry and ICT.
6. The anticipated outcomes of the State Visit include a Comprehensive Strategic Partnership agreement signed between Kenya-China which will

among other things provide support for various TVET institutions and county hospitals, implementation of the Belt and Road initiatives and economic cooperation.

7. H. E. The President's State Visit will also strengthen joint efforts to diversify bilateral projects to cover more sectors of the economy such as agriculture and food security, the creative economy and e-commerce, manufacturing, health, environmental conservation, financial services with the ultimate aim of creating job opportunities for the youth and women in line with BETA.
8. Kenya and China have enjoyed comprehensive strategic partnership since independence in 1963 and both nations have remained consistent in their pursuit of a win-win scenario and people-centred collaboration.

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