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## Country Profile:



# People's Republic of China





## **Quick Facts**

Population: 1.4 billion (2016) (1st in the world)

Capital: Beijing

Type of Government: Unitary one-party socialist republic

Head of State: President XI Jinping (since March 2013)

Head of Government: Premier LI Kegiang

(since March 2013)

Administrative Divisions: 22 provinces, 5 autonomous

regions<sup>1</sup>, 4 municipalities<sup>2</sup>, 2 special

administrative regions<sup>3</sup>

GDP (2016): CDN \$14.6 trillion

National Currency: Remnimbi

Language(s): Mandarin Chinese, with regional

dialects such as Shanghainese and

Cantonese

National Day: Chinese National Day (October 1)

- <sup>1</sup> An autonomous region has its own local government like a province but has more legislative rights. These include: Guangxi, Inner Mongolia, Tibet, Xinjiang, and Ningxia.
- <sup>2</sup> A municipality is a city with provincial power. As such, a municipality is simultaneously a city and a province of its own right. These include: Beijing, Tianjin, Shanghai, and Chongqing.
- <sup>3</sup> The two Special Administrative Regions (SAR) of Hong Kong and Macau operate under the "one country, two systems" concept. They have a great deal of autonomy, with responsibility for most areas of government, including executive, legislative and judicial.

## Background

- China is ruled under the leadership of the Communist Party of China (CPC). The Party is led by the 7 members of the Politburo Standing Committee, China's top decision-making body.
- President Xi Jinping is China's paramount leader, serving as head of state, General Secretary of the Communist Party, and Chairman of the Central Military Commission.
- At the 19th National Congress of the CPC in October 2017, President Xi's name and ideology ("Xi Jinping Thought") were entrenched into the Constitution of the Chinese Communist Party, elevating his status and influence.
- Premier Li Keqiang is the head of government, presiding over the State Council composed of four vice premiers and the heads of ministries and commissions. The Premier is also a senior member of the CPC Politburo Standing Committee.



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## INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS SECRETARIAT

## **MEETING NOTE**

PREPARED FOR: Premier John Horgan

**MEETING WITH:** His Excellency Mr. Wang Chen, Member, 19th Communist Party of

China, Central Committee, Politburo; Secretary-General, 12th Standing Committee of the National People's Congress; Director, Cyberspace

Administration of China

**DATE AND TIME:** June 10, 2018 / 4:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

LOCATION:

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## SUGGESTED SPEAKING POINTS

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## **ATTACHMENTS:**

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## Appendix A: Biography



## Wang Chen Vice Chairman of The National People's Congress of the People's Republic of China

Wang Chen is a member of the Politburo of the Communist Party of China (CPC), making him one of the top 25 leaders in the country. He is concurrently the first-ranked Vice-Chairman of the Standing Committee of the National People's Congress (China's legislature), which effectively makes him the number two ranked leader in the legislature. He assists the head of the NPC (Li Zhanshu, the number three ranked leader overall in the country) with his duties as head of

the legislature.

After a career as a CPC journalist for more than 20 years occupying key positions including the editor-in-chief of People's Daily, Wang was promoted to the CPC Publicity Department in 2000 as deputy head in charge of all media-related work in China. He became one of the NPC Vice Chairs in 2013 and is now serving his second term (and was elevated to first-ranked vice chair).

In 1969 Wang boarded on the same train with Xi Jinping and Wang Qishan as educated youths to Yan'an, where their friendship is believed to have started. Wang entered politics earlier than Xi Jinping and is regarded as Xi's close ally. Wang Chen briefed the NPC deputies this March, before they voted on the draft amendment to China's Constitution, and recommended adding Xi Jinping Thought to the Constitution as well as removing the term-limit on the post of PRC President.

Wang has visited Canada in the past, including a visit to Ottawa accompanying the former Chinese state leader LI Changchun in 2012.

Similar to Chinese leader Xi Jinping who was an "Educated Youth" (a massive campaign in the 1960s for students being sent to rural countryside) working in Shaanxi Province, Mr. Wang shares almost identical background as he was sent to a county about 190 km from the county where Mr. Xi worked.

March 2018- Now	Member of the Political Bureau of Communist Party of China (CPC) Central Committee, Vice Chairman of 13th NPC
2013-2017	Vice Chairman & Secretary-General of 12th NPC
2008-2013	Deputy Minister of CPC Publicity Department; Director of China State Council Information Office & Cyberspace Administration Office of China
2003-2008	President of People's Daily & Vice Chairman of All-China Journalists' Association

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2001-2003	Editor-in-Chief of People's Daily
2000-2001	Deputy Minister of CPC Publicity Department
1974-2000	Reporter, Editor and became the Editor-in-Chief the Guangming Daily in 1995
1973-1974	Staff of the General Office of CPC Yan'an Prefectural Committee of Shaanxi Province
1970-1973	Staff of the Publicity Department of CPC Yan'an Prefectural Committee of Shaanxi Province
1969-1970	An 'Educated Youth' to Yijun County of Yan'an Prefecture in Shaanxi Province

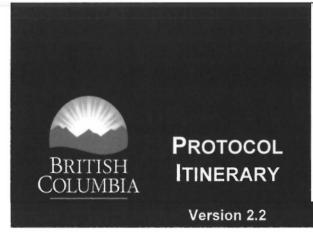
Mr. Wang was born in December 1950 in Beijing. He graduated from the Department of Journalism, Graduate School, Chinese Academy of Social Sciences with a graduate program in journalism and holds a Master of Arts degree.

## **Appendix B: Delegation**

- The Honourable Wu Yuliang, Member, NPC Standing Committee & Chairman, NPC Committee on Supervisory and Judicial Affairs.
- 2. **The Honourable Yin Zhongqing**, Member, NPC Standing Committee & Vice Chairman, NPC Committee on Financial and Economic Affairs.
- 3. **The Honourable Zhang Yong**, Member of the NPC Standing Committee, Vice Chairman, Legislative Affairs Commission, NPC Standing Committee.
- 4. The Honourable Li Yihu, Member, NPC Committee on Foreign Affairs.
- Mr. Cao Yanfang, Director-General, Retiree Affairs Bureau, General Office, NPC Standing Committee
- Mr. Zhang Xinmin, Director-General, Service Department, General Office, NPC Standing Committee
- 7. **Mr. Jin Qingzhong**, Deputy Director-General, Research Office, General Office, NPC Standing Committee
- 8. **Mr. Xiong Wei**, Deputy Director-General, Foreign Affairs Bureau, General Office, NPC Standing Committee
- 9. **Mr. Yin Chengwu**, Counselor, Department of North American and Oceanian Affairs, Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MFA)
- 10. Mr. Zheng Xiliang, Director, Central Guard Bureau, CPC
- 11. Ms. Bai Dandan, Director, Foreign Affairs Bureau, General Office, NPC Standing Committee
- 12. Mr. Zuo Liang, Secretary to the head of the delegation
- 13. Mr. Xu Xiaoqing, Secretary to Hon. Wu Yuliang
- Ms. Zhao Daihong, Deputy Director, Department of North American and Oceanian Affairs, MFA
- 15. Mr. Gu Xinqiang, Deputy Director, Department of North American and Oceanian Affairs, MFA
- Mr. Liu Rundong, Private Security Official to the head of the delegation
- 17. Mr. Wu Yunbo, Private Doctor to the head of the delegation
- Mr. Chen Shanrui, Principal Staff Member, Foreign Affairs Bureau, General Office, NPC Standing Committee
- Ms. Wang Yan, Senior Staff Member, Foreign Affairs Bureau, General Office, NPC Standing Committee
- 20. Mr. Luo Wei, Interpreter, MFA

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- 21. His Excellency LU Shaye, Ambassador of China to Canada
- 22. Ms. TONG Xiaoling, Consul General of China in Vancouver
- 23. Mr. YANG Fan, Counsellor, Embassy of China to Canada





## Visit of His Excellency WANG Chen,

Member of the Political Bureau of the Communist Party of China (CPC) Central Committee and Vice Chairman of the Standing Committee of the National People's Congress of China (NPC).

Visit Date: June 10-11, 2018

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## Accompanied by:

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#### Sunday, June 10, 2018 - Vancouver Contact Information Greeters (Hon. Ralston, His Excellency LU, Ms. TONG and Ms. 0950 Ms. Dana Priolo. Jordan) arrive at YVR and are escorted to respective greeting YVRCell: s.22 areas. 1050 Arrival at Vancouver International Airport from Beijing on Flight# Ms. ZHENG Xintao Cell: s.22 CA991. Greeted by: Ms. Annette Jordan The Hon. Bruce Ralston, Minister of Jobs, Trade and Cell: s.22 Technology. His Excellency LU Shaye, Ambassador of China to Canada Ms. TONG Xiaoling, Consul General of China in Vancouver, cell s.22 Ms. Annette Jordan, Office of Protocol, British Columbia Note: Ambassador and Consul General escorted to the gate by YVR for greeting s.15 s.15 and Minister & Annette Jordan escorted to the s.15 for greeting by BC Government. Depart for s.15 1120 (approx.) Arrival at s.15 and retire. 1200 (approx.) 1540 Meet with Chinese Community Premier, Ministers and staff arrive at \$.15 Ms. Annette Jordan 1615 and met by BC Protocol Office staff. All are then escorted to s.15 Cell: s.22 s.15 by Consulate General of China Staff Meeting with Hon. John Horgan, Premier of British Columbia. Richard Lam 1630-1700 BC Govt. Accompanied by: Photographer Hon. Carole James, Deputy Premier and Minister of Cell: s.22 Finance. Hon. Bruce Ralston, Minister of Jobs, Trade and Mr. Wenhui Zhong Technology. Interpreter Hon. Mike Farnworth, Minister of Public Safety and Cell: s.22 Solicitor General. Hon. Melanie Mark, Minister of Advanced Education, Skills and Training. Hon. George Chow. Minister of State for Trade. Mr. Okenge Yuma Morisho, Deputy Minister,

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- Mr. Evan Brown, Assistant to the Premier
- Mr. John Michael McColl, Ministerial Assistant, Jobs. Trade and Technology.
- Mr. Wenhui Zhong, Interpreter

## **Topics of Discussion:**

Courtesy meeting, B.C. - China relations.

Location: s.15

s.15

#### Notes:

- Meeting is hosted by His Excellency WANG Chen.
- Local media will be invited (by Consulate General) into the meeting room to take photos (5 mins max.) before the meeting formally begins.
- No gift exchange at meeting. Will be done protocol-toprotocol
- There are expected to be 16 representatives from China side and not entire delegation.

1800 - 2030

Dinner hosted by Her Honour the Honourable Janet Austin. Lieutenant Governor of British Columbia.

## Also attending:

- His Honour Ashley Chester, spouse of Her Honour.
- Hon. Carole James, Minister of Finance and Deputy Premier.
- . Hon. Melanie Mark, Minister of Advanced Education, Skills and Training.
- · Hon. Bruce Ralston, Minister of Jobs, Trade and Technology.
- Hon. George Chow, Minister of State for Trade.
- . Hon. Mike Farnworth, Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General.
- Hon. George Heyman, Minister of Environment and Climate Change Strategy.
- Mr. Okenge Yuma Morisho, Deputy Minister, Intergovernmental Relations Secretariat, Office of the Premier.
- . Mr. Fazil Mihlar, Deputy Minister, Ministry of Jobs, Trade and Technology.
- Ms. Lucy Lobmeier, Chief of Protocol of British Columbia.

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. Mr. Jeremy Brownridge, Private Secretary to the Lieutenant Governor.

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- Ms. Annette Jordan, Manager, Office of Protocol.
- Mr. John Michael McColl, Ministerial Assistant, Jobs, Trade and Technology.
- Honorary Aide de Camp to the Lieutenant Governor.
- Mr. Wenhui Zhong, Interpreter.

Location: s.15

Dress: Business attire.

Program Rollout:

1800: BC guests arrive.

1815:

- His Excellency & delegation arrive at s.15
   Greeted at main entrance by Jerymy Brownridge & Lucy Lobmeier and escorted s.15
- His Excellency & delegation are welcomed at

s.15 by Her Honour, His Honour and BC

Ministers.

\* Local media invited to photograph/video greeting by Her Honour of His Excellency.

1825:

- All are seated
- Remarks (consecutive interpretation)
  - Mr. Jerymy Brownridge, Director of Ceremonies (1min).
  - Her Honour remarks (7 mins).
  - His Excellency remarks.(7 mins)
  - Deputy Premier remarks (5 mins)

1845 (approx.): Dinner is served.

1945 (approx.):

· Dessert is served.

2000 (approx.):

- Gift exchange between Her Honour and His Excellency
- Signing of British Columbia Distinguished Visitors Book
- Photographs
- · His Excellency and Her Honour depart.

2030 (approx.): Dinner concludes.

## Monday, June 11, 2018 - Vancouver

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0930

Welcome ceremony hosted by UBC President Santa J. Ono at

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Visit China-Canada Joint Centre for Bioenergy Research and 1035 - 1100 Innovation at UBC 1430 - 1500Courtesy meeting with His Worship Gregor Robertson, Mayor Lesley Matthews of the City of Vancouver (TBC) Cell: s.22 Location: s.15 1630 Depart for YVR Depart Vancouver for Ottawa on flight # AC344. 1750 Mr. KONG Weiwei Cell:s.22

Bid farewell by:

 Ms. TONG Xiaoling, Consul General of China in Vancouver.

 Mr. KONG Weiwei, Deputy Consul General, cell: s.22

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