
CHINA URGES US FOR 'SOUND' DEVELOPMENT OF TIES AFTER TAIWANESE LEADER'S NEW YORK STOP 'CANCELLED'

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China on Tuesday urged the US for the "sound" development of bilateral ties after Washington reportedly denied permission for the Taiwanese leader's New York stopover.

"China firmly opposes any form of official interaction between the US and the Taiwan region. Firmly opposes any trip by leader of the Taiwan authorities to the US in any name or under whatever pretext," Foreign Ministry spokesman Guo Jiakun told a news conference in Beijing.

The Trump administration denied permission for William Lai Ching-te to stop in New York on his way to Central America next month, according to the Financial Times.

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