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Shutdowns stoke debate over what's an 'essential industry'



A note on the door of Sports Direct informs customers that the store is temporarily closed, as the spread of the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) continues, in Aylesbury, Buckinghamshire, Britain March 24, 2020. REUTERS/ Eddie Keogh

BRUSSELS (Reuters) - Shortly after British Prime Minister Boris Johnson ordered the closure of non-essential retailers on Monday to curb the spread of coronavirus, the parent company of Sports Direct wrote to its let them know: the next day would be business as usual.

A note on the door of Sports Direct informs customers that the store is temporarily closed, as the spread of the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) continues, in Aylesbury, Buckinghamshire, Britain March 24, 2020. REUTERS/ Eddie Keogh

Its argument - that selling sport and fitness equipment was vital during a national shutdown - was promptly rebuffed by the government, and the plan to keep its stores open was ditched.

The brief spat underlines the dilemma for governments defining what are "essential industries" as they try to flatten the curve of infections to save lives while keeping their economies from falling off a cliff.

U.S. President Donald Trump came right out on Monday and said what other governments may be quietly thinking: "We cannot let the cure be worse than the problem itself."

Data on Tuesday showed that business activity around the globe has collapsed this month as millions obey orders to stay at home to avoid infection with the highly contagious Trump said he was considering how to reopen the U.S. economy when a 15-day shutdown ends next week, telling a White House news conference that his administration would not allow the crisis to turn into a long-lasting financial problem. But voicing what many might see as choosing the economy over lives requires delicacy.

Johnson's senior adviser, Dominic Cummings, on Monday firmly denied a newspaper report that last month he had outlined the government's coronavirus strategy as "herd immunity, protect the economy and if that means some pensioners die, too bad"

"EXCESSIVE DISCRETION"

The difficulty for governments lies in deciding what industries are critical.

On Tuesday, just 12 hours after Johnson had ordered a draconian clampdown, minister Michael Gove was asked on a TV breakfast show why groups of workers were still being allowed at construction sites.

Italy, which has suffered the deadliest coronavirus outbreak, decreed on Sunday that non-essential businesses must close until April 3 — but set out a long list of exceptions deemed vital to keep supply chains running in Europe's second-largest manufacturing economy.

Unions in the worst-hit Lombardy region panned the list as "excessively extended, covering areas of dubious importance" and allowing firms "excessive discretion" to apply for exemptions, and promptly called a one-day strike.

Amazon announced at the weekend it would stop shipping non-essential products to Italy and hard-hit France, where lockdowns have been imposed.

One worker at a French distribution center for the world's largest online retailer said last week that employees were dispatching non-essential items from small workspaces that did not allow staff to keep their distances.

"These are DVDs, video games, iPads, phones and sex toys," said the worker, who declined to give her name for fear of losing her job.

Amazon stopped shipments of non-essential items due to a spike in orders and the need to respect anti-coronavirus safety measures in workplaces, a spokesman said.

As more U.S. states moved to impose stay-at-home orders on Tuesday, industries from steelmakers to auto dealerships scrambled for exemptions that would allow them to remain

The National Association of Manufacturers has urged states to declare all manufacturing facilities and supply chains part of "essential infrastructure" and "essential businesses".

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LOCAL NEWS

USDA, USTR cite progress on farm provisions of U.S.-China trade deal

WASHINGTON (Reuters) - The United States and China have made progress in implementing the agriculture-related provisions of a Phase 1 trade deal that took effect on Feb. 14, the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) and U.S. Trade Representative said on Tuesday.

In a joint statement, they listed a number of steps taken that should help boost U.S. exports of beef, poultry and other farm products to China, and said U.S. food and agricultural products exports were benefiting from Chinese

U.S. locks in tariffs on wooden cabinets from China "These steps show that China is moving in the right direction to implement the Phase 1 agreement," said Agriculture Secretary Sonny Perdue. "We will continue to work with China to ensure full implementation of its commitments and look forward to seeing further improvement and progress as we continue our ongoing bilateral discussions."

As part of the deal signed on Jan. 15, Beijing agreed to nearly double its U.S. farm product purchases and lower several agricultural trade barriers that Washington said limited access to the lucrative Chinese market.

China since promised it would not impose a nationwide ban on imports of U.S. poultry if the United States finds cases of avian flu, instead suspending imports only from the states where cases are found.

Beijing banned imports of U.S. poultry and eggs in January 2015 because of a U.S. outbreak of highly virulent avian flu, closing a market that was worth \$500 million in 2013. The ban was lifted in November 2019.

China has also recently increased buying of U.S. farm goods, including the country's first hard red winter wheat purchase since 2017 and its largest U.S. corn purchase since 2013.



FILE PHOTO: Chinese and U.S. flags flutter near The Bund, before U.S. trade delegation meet their Chinese counterparts for talks in Shanghai, China July 30, 2019. REUTERS/Aly Song

But imports of key products such as soybeans, the most valuable U.S. farm export, remain well below pre-trade war levels.

China's season-to-date purchases of soy harvested last fall totaled about 12.1 million tonnes as of mid-March, according to USDA data. At the same point of 2017, China had purchased nearly 35 million tonnes of the oilseed.



U.S. President Trump speaks about coronavirus response at the White House in Washington

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BUSINESS

Work safe!

China Committed To Combating Health Threat Facing Mankind



OVERVIEW

China has extended a helping hand to many countries in need in the global fight against the COVID-19 pandemic, putting into practice how a world community works towards a shared future, especially in achieving common health for man-

Compiled And Edited By John T. Robbins, Southern Daily Editor

BEIJING, March 23 (Xinhua) -- At the Phnom Penh international airport on Monday, a seven-member expert team from China, carrying with them tons of medical supplies, were warmly greeted by Cambodian top officials as well as people waving the flags of the two

The medical team added to China's recent medical support to countries in need -- such as Iran, Serbia and Italy -- in the global fight against the COVID-19 pandemic.



A team of Chinese medical experts arrive at Phnom Penh International Airport in Phnom Penh, capital of Cambodia, March 23, 2020. (Xinhua/

Mao Pengfei)

In the port city of Padova in northern Italy, a Chinese medical squad of nine people, wearing masks as well as vests in red and white with Red Cross logo, were working to an extremely tight schedule to grasp the situation there and offer medical guidance.

Their work was recorded in vlogs and diaries of Grandesso Federico, an Italian national residing in Padova.

"The Chinese team's visit to Italy is not only important from the scientific side, but also from the human point of view: to be allied against this major illness is to be allied against a major enemy of the mankind," Giampiero Rupolo, president of the Italian Red Cross Padova Committee, told Federico in a vlog.

TIMELY SUPPORT

The Chinese medical team first arrived in Rome, the first leg of their journey in Italy. After staying in Padova, it continued the northward journey to the hardest-hit region of Lombardy, where more doctors sent by China joined the

battle against the COVID-19 epidemic. Yang Huichuan, a team member, was impressed with a note in his hotel room on his first night in Rome. "We stand together, we fight together, we will win together," it read.



Members of the second batch of the Chinese medical team along with local people hold a banner reading "We are waves of the same sea, leaves of the same tree, flowers of the same garden" and pose for a group photo after they arrived at Milan Malpensa Airport in Milan, Italy, March 18, 2020. (Xinhua)

On March 12, the team, organized by the National Health Commission and the Red Cross Society of China, came in the nick of time with tons of medical supplies including ventilators, monitors and defibrillators. On the next day, the World Health Organization (WHO) announced that Europe had become the epicenter of a coronavirus pandemic with Italy being the hardest-hit country in the region. Upon the team's arrival in Italy, China had come out of the most arduous stage with daily new confirmed cases on the Chinese mainland dropping to a single digit for the first time. Beijing, in the spirit of solidarity and common health, has since sent more medical staff and supplies to other countries struggling to contain the epidemic.

The Chinese medical staff started their daily routines with an internal meeting at 7 a.m., and held a meeting until around 10 p.m. after returning to hotel earlier in the evening.

They shared with Italian colleagues the sixth version of China's COVID-19 treatment guidelines and the seventh version of its diagnosis and treatment

The Italian side asked us a lot of ques tions, and we often had longer discussions than we initially planned," Yang said. "We want to share the achievements we have made, and lessons we have learned, to help Italy better deal



Chinese medical experts talk with local doctors in Padova, Italy, March 18, 2020. (China's Anti-Epidemic Expert Team/Handout via Xinhua)

The team also spent time "strengthening people's confidence in home quarantine." Days later when they passed through the usually bustling areas in Rome, they seldom saw any pedestrians and vehicles.

They also taught the public via a livestream how to better protect themselves, including the seven-step hand-washing method. "It's the simplest thing, but a key way to guard against the virus," said Tang Menglin, a head nurse from China's Sichuan Province, whose special affection for Italian doctors dating back to 12 years ago brought her to the frontline in Italy.

"As a Sichuanese, I'm fortunate to be here to repay Italians' kindness when we were in trouble," said Tang.

LEAVES OF SAME TREE

The story began in May 2008, when Sichuan suffered a catastrophic 8-magnitude earthquake, in which more than 80,000 people were killed.

Within days, a medical team of about 20 members from Italy was on the ground in Mianzhu, Sichuan. They established a tent-like field hospital with complete sets of medical equipment, capable of conducting sophisticated surgeries and telemedicine.



Members of an Italian medical team set up tents at Xiaode Township in quake-hit Mianzhu City, southwest China's Sichuan Province, on May 23, 2008. (Xinhua/Zeng Yi)

Emotional connection with "kind and generous" local people left on team members an indelible impression. "They (locals) were moved that we would leave our families behind to go to their city to help them," said Maria Carola Martino, an emergency room surgeon. To cheer children up from the trauma, the medical team held a jamboree, with some singing songs and one member riding on a broomstick to imitate Harry Potter in a hilarious way.

Zuo Xuemei, a local Chinese doctor, recalled a surgery in which she assisted the Italians.

"It was very hot in June and everyone was sweating ... We spoke different languages, but communicated through eye contact as everyone was familiar with

the surgery procedure."

The Italian doctors treated nearly 1,000 people before heading home, and left the field hospital to local doctors. Residents gathered to see them off and some children cried and followed their cars as they drove away. Courtesy http://www. xinhuanet.com/english)



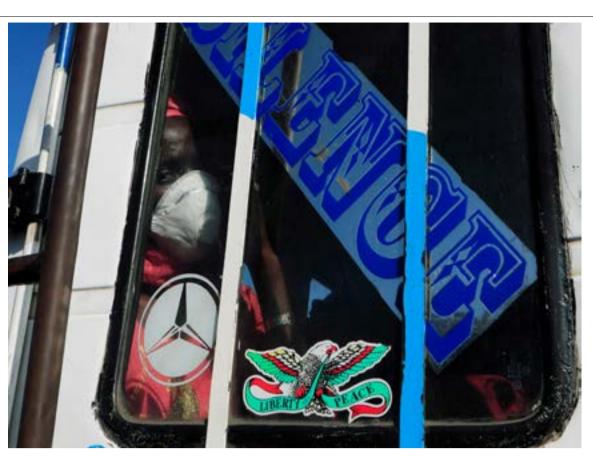
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Editor's Choice



A woman wearing protective face mask sits on a bus, amid the outbreak of the coronavirus disease (COVID-19), in Dakar



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Shopping carts are seen outside a supermarket as the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) outbreak continues, in Mexico City, Mexico March 24, 2020. REUTERS/Henry Romero



Robert Burck known as the original "Naked Cowboy" poses for photos wearing a mask in mostly desolated Times Square, during the outbreak of coronavirus disease (COVID-19), in the Manhattan borough of New York City



A health worker from Clinic hospital takes a picture of his mates as police officers and citizens show them gratitude from their balconies and windows, during the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) outbreak, in Barcelona



Charlie Campbell talks to his dad Gene, a resident at the Life Care Center of Kirkland, through the window at the long-term care facility linked to several confirmed coronavirus cases, in Kirkland, Washington, U.S. March 6, 2020. REUTERS/Lindsey Wasson



People are pictured at a supermarket as the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) outbreak continues, in Mexico City, Mexico March 24, 2020. REUTERS/Henry Romero?



A man wearing a protective face mask is seen at a supermarket as the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) outbreak continues, in Mexico City, Mexico March 24, 2020. REUTERS/Henry Romero



COMMUNITY

Tokyo 2020 Summer Olympics Officially Postponed



A general view of the Olympic Rings near Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park in London, after Global. (Photo/Getty Images)

Compiled And Edited By John T. Robbins, Southern Daily Editor

The Tokyo 2020 Olympics have been postponed, Japan's Prime Minister Shinzo Abe announced Tuesday. Abe said Japan and the International Olympic Committee came to an agreement during a phone call with the head of the IOC, Thomas Bach, following growing calls for the games to be delayed or canceled because of the concerns around coronavirus pandemic. The Japanese leader told reporters after the call that they agreed that the games would not be canceled and will be held, at the very latest, by the summer of

"Considering the current situation, in regards to the Tokyo Games, as the host nation, in order to ensure that athletes from all over the world are able to compete in their best condition, and also in order to ensure the utmost safety for the spectators, I have asked him to consider postponing the games by about a year," Abe added.

The prime minister said Japan will fulfill its responsibility as the host nation "to prove that humanity has beaten the novel coronavirus."

The virus has forced millions of people around the world into lockdowns to help curb its spread and claimed more than 17,000 lives.

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After his telephone talks with IOC President Bach, PM Abe spoke to the press and explained that the two have agreed that the Tokyo Olympic Games would not be cancelled, and the games will be held by the summer of 2021.

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The Olympics is the biggest event yet to be affected by the growing global pandemic. The games were set to run July 24 to Aug. 9, and the Paralympics Aug. 25 to Sept. 6.

"The leaders agreed that the Olympic Games in Tokyo could stand as a beacon of hope to the world during these troubled times and that the Olympic flame could become the light at the end of the tunnel in which the world finds itself at present," the IOC said in a joint statement with the Tokyo 2020 organizing committee.

NBCUniversal, which is the parent company of NBC News, paid \$4.4 billion for U.S. media rights to the four Olympics from 2014 to 2020.

This is the first major disruption to the Olympics since World War II, when the 1944 Summer Olympics, were canceled. The 1940 Summer Olympics, which were also to be held in Tokyo, were also canceled.

The IOC has dealt with potential health threats in the recent past, but none so serious that they affected the scheduled timeline.

There were concerns about the bird flu ahead of the 2018 PyeongChang



Olympics, Zika during the 2016 Rio Olympics and swine flu before the 2010 Vancouver Olympics.

IOC chief Thomas Bach signals Olympics may be postponed.

But despite growing concerns about the coronavirus epidemic in recent weeks, Japanese officials insisted the games will go ahead as planned. Abe acknowledged for the first time on Monday that the Olympics could be delayed due to the coronavirus as countries began threatening to keep their athletes at

The Olympic flame arrived in Japan on March 20 for a journey that would have led to the opening ceremony.

But following Abe's announcement, the torch relay, which was supposed to start on Thursday, was canceled, Yoshiro Mori, the organizing committee president, said.

However, the Olympic flame will stay in Japan, the IOC has confirmed. The IOC's move follows the suspension of many major sporting events and seasons around the world.

Regions hit hard by the outbreak in Asia and Europe have canceled sporting events, including the Hong Kong Marathon and Italy's Serie A soccer matches. In mid-March, the NBA suspended its season after a player on the Utah Jazz preliminarily tested positive for COVID-19, the disease caused by the new coronavirus.

That decision by the NBA was quickly followed by similar announcements from other pro leagues. Within hours,



the NHL, Major League Soccer and MLB announced

they would be pausing or postponing their seasons.

By the end of that week, the NCAA made the decision to cancel its men's and women's college basketball tournaments, known as March Madness. The cancellation extended to all remaining winter and spring NCAA champion-

Since then several other events have been postponed, including the French Open, the Invictus Games and the London Marathon.

Speculation that the Olympics would be postponed escalated on Monday after Abe said, "If it is difficult to hold the games in such a way, we have to decide to postpone them, giving top priority to the well-being of the athletes." Senior IOC member Dick Pound told USA Today that "On the basis of the information the IOC has, postponement has been decided... The parameters going forward have not been determined, but the Games are not going to start on July 24, that much I know." It's a move that was widely expected given the hundreds of conferences,

the pandemic across the globe, as well as mounting criticism levied at the IOC and Japanese Prime Minister Shinzo Abe by players and fans, the latter of which voted overwhelmingly in a public poll conducted by Kyodo News to delay the Games.

Much of the criticism wasn't focused on the possible safety of the event itself, which was set to begin on July 24 until August 9, but the risk to athletes presently as they attempted to train for the Games while adhering to lockdowns and social distancing practices in their home countries.

On March 18, the IOC held a conference call with 200 athlete representa-



caused further ire, with Span-

ish Olympic Committee president Alejandro Blanco saying there would be unfair competition given the training gym shut downs in certain countries, and U.S. table tennis player Han Xiao saying, "Regardless of their intentions, their first priority is not the public health aspect of it," according to the New York

Adding fuel to the fire this month: Kozo Tashima, the vice chairman of Japan's Olympic Committee and the head of the Japan Football Association, tested positive for the coronavirus following trips to Europe and the U.S., Greece's Olympic committee barred fans from attending the traditional torch lighting ceremony and Canada pulled out of the Games this past weekend.

The Olympic Games are among the athletic world's most storied events. First held in 776 BCE, the Games were revived in the modern era in 1896, when the Games were held in Athens, Greece. The 1916 Games were cancelled because of World War I, as were the 1940 and 1944 Games due to World War II. (Courtesy https://www.nbcnews.com/ and forbes.com)

Dailu News



加快"新基建"推進步伐,資金從哪 裏來?在專家們看來,加大"新基建"投入 其分別貢獻2018年基建投資的6%和8% 不能走老路,要拓寬資金來源,創新投融 資方式,有效調動民間投資積極性。

加大投入不能走老路

傳統的基礎設施建設主要集中在鐵 路、公路、機場等領域,因此,也稱為 "鐵公機"。而"新基建"則更多集中 於5G、人工智能、數據中心、工業互聯 的參與度會比較高。 網等科技創新領域基礎設施,以及教育 、醫療等消費升級重大民生領域。

傳統"鐵公機"建設因為投資規模 巨大、資金回收周期長,而且公益性較 為突出,因此主要以國家預算資金或國 有部門投資為主。

根據2018年數據,全國城鎮基建投 活力。 資中, 壹般公共預算支出、政府性基金 支出(專項債資金使用核算在內)、城 86%。私人部門對基建投資的貢獻主要 體系,並在融資方式上有所創新。

體現在 PPP 和電力企業自籌資金,估算 , 占比較小。

'新基建'與傳統基建主要依靠 地方政府投資的情況很不壹樣。"中商 智庫首席研究員李建軍認為,與傳統基 建相比,"新基建"項目更偏重於信息 化和創新領域,項目的科技化程度較高 ,意味著市場主體特別是高新技術企業

近年來,我國在工業互聯網、人工 智能、物聯網等"新基建"領域發展較 快,其中壹個重要原因是這些產業的發 展尊重市場規律和產業發展規律, 普遍 強調投資收益和回報,以市場化投融資 方式為主,這也激發了這些領域的發展

在李建軍看來,當前地方政府的債 務水平比較高,完全依靠政府的財政支 投平臺是三大主要資金來源,分別貢獻 持和債務支持也是不現實的。"新基 投資額約23%、25%、38%,合計貢獻達 建"項目的融資必須依靠多元化的融資

"新垦建"資金從哪兒來

festivals and sporting events affected by

構建多元化投融資體系

專家認為,發展"新基建",需要 實施積極的財政政策,加快出臺配套措 施,對"新基建"給予有針對性的財政 本參與到"新基建"的項目建設中來。

恒大研究院首席經濟學家任澤平認 為,對於"新基建",要優化財政投資 方向和結構,更好發揮財政資金撬動作 用,提高財政資金使用和配置效率。絕 不能搞賣次性的過度刺激,而應做中期 投資規劃,在加大投資力度的同時有節 奏分批有序推進

具體來說,應實行積極財政政策,將 平衡財政轉向功能財政,上調赤字率和專 項債發行規模,為減稅降費以及擴大基建 的支出騰挪空間。當前政府杠桿率可控, 且背後有龐大的國有資產支撐,政府尤其 是中央政府有加杠桿空間,可通過發行特 別國債支持特定階段基建項目。

'新基建'融資要更加多元化。" 李建軍認為,地方政府資金有限,要按 照"資金跟著項目走"的原則,指導地 方做好項目儲備和前期準備工作,盡快 形成有效的投資。同時應發揮出"四兩 撥千斤"的引導作用,通過產業引導基 金、擔保基金等方式不斷吸引市場資本 參與到"新基建"的項目建設中來。

銀 行等金融機構也需要跟上"新基 建軍表示, "新基建"項目與傳統項目 比為60.4%。其中,在制造業、農業、

的不同之處是高技術創新,輕資產、缺 文體娛樂業中分別占87.2%、76.0%、 少抵押品的情况比較多。銀行的貸款產 57.3%;但在水電燃氣、交運郵政倉儲業 品應該更多從未來收益來考慮,開發以 未來收益權為主的金融產品以及知識產 權抵押的產品。如當前很多銀行設立了 理財子公司和投資公司,可以考慮從股 基金、擔保基金等方式不斷吸引市場資價結合的角度消除信息不對稱,為創新 企業提供資金。

> 此外,融資方式也需要與"新基建" 需求相匹配。基於基礎設施建設周期長、 投資回報期長的特點,李建軍表示,應該 重點發揮信托、保險等長期資金的作用。 信托機構應設立專門的"新基建"投資 信托計劃或者投資基金,從單壹項目入 手,提供長期債權資金。信托機構還可 "新基建"項目,以解決基金資金期限 和項目建設運營期限不匹配的問題

在直接融資方面,還應充分發揮科 創板的作用,積極推動在"新基建"領 域比較成熟的企業抓緊上市,充分利用 資本市場的各類投資者,特別是機構投 資者的股權投資資金,培育壹批具有國 際競爭力的創新企業

充分調動民間投資積極性

加快推進"新基建",還需要進壹步 放開市場準入,對民間資本壹視同仁。

在傳統基建領域,民間投資仍然存 在準入門檻。國家統計局此前曾公布分 行業投資絕對額數據,2017年的數據顯 建"的步伐,打破"抵押品依賴"。李 示,民間投資在全部固定資產投資中占

、水利環保公用事業3大基礎設施領域 中僅分別占38.2%、20.3%、22.6%。

任澤平建議,要進壹步放開基建投資 領域的市場準入,尤其是為民營企業參與 基建投資拓展渠道、消除限制。全面實施 市場準入負面清單,對於清單之外的所有 行業、領域,都要給予各市場主體公平參 與的機會。同時,要合理確定投資資格, 不得設置超過基礎設施項目實際需要的註 冊資本金、資產規模、銀行存款證明或融 資意向承等條件,不得設置與項目投融資 、建設、運營無關的準入條件。

"對商業化價值低但又非常有必要 牽頭和保險等長期資金合作,參與投資 的、涉及公共信息的、市場整合難度比 較大的信息類'新基建',政府應積極 主導或牽頭。"任澤平認為,在信息類 "新基建"領域,除5G基站、公共大數 據中心等項目外,政府應充分讓市場發 揮資源配置的決定性作用。主要通過制 定行業規則、設施標準、產業規劃布局 等,推進市場有序運行。在資金來源方 面,要規範並推動政府和社會資本合作 (PPP)融資模式,引進私人資本提高 效率,拓寬融資來源。

> 調動民間投資積極性,還要創造好 的環境。李建軍強調,在推進市場資本 參與"新基建"項目的過程中,地方政 府還要繼續推進"放管服"改革,不斷 優化項目投資的流程,提高項目投資參 與的便利化程度,優化營商環境,減少

文章認為,在應對新冠肺炎疫情對經濟造成的巨大 濟復蘇,中國的經驗值得借鑒。"該文第壹作者、 沖擊方面,中國的經驗表明,正確的政策能對抗擊 疫情和緩解其影響發揮重要作用,中國正逐步復工 復產, "經濟出現了令人安心的正常化跡象"。

這篇題為《削弱影響和艱難的選擇:中國的早 期經驗》的文章認為,新冠肺炎疫情的擴散正在對 全球經濟產生深遠和嚴重的影響,成功控制新冠病 毒的代價是經濟活動放緩。中國迅速采取壹系列措 施,為最脆弱群體提供支持,有效減緩了疫情對經 濟造成的嚴重沖擊。

國際貨幣基金組織亞太部助理主任兼中國事務主管 黑爾格·貝格爾在接受本報記者采訪時表示。

黑爾格·貝格爾認為,疫情的直接影響是第壹 季度經濟活動的突然停止,但正如IMF總裁格奧爾 基耶娃多次表示,中國經濟具有韌性,通過政府提 供的政策支持,中國經濟正在重返正軌。

弱的家庭, 並探尋新方法來支持小型企業, 例如免 征社保費、通過金融科技公司提供信貸等。此外, "中國政府對此次疫情做出快速反應,采取行 中國有關部門迅速安排了信貸補貼,支持衛生設備 影響,並提供強有力的宏觀經濟支持,通過針對性 經濟支持。

市場穩定方面,中國人民銀行很早介入,支持銀行 間市場,為承壓的公司提供資金支持,同時允許人 民幣根據外部壓力進行調整。其他措施還包括引導 銀行與受疫情影響的借款者合作,激勵銀行通過中 國人民銀行的特別融資向小企業貸款,並對銀行進 行定向降準,維護了市場流動性和穩定。

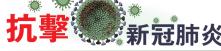
"中國經濟出現了令人安心的正常化跡象,多 IMF表示,中國政府采取的政策側重於扶持脆 數大型企業已經復工復產,很多員工也已返崗。" 黑爾格·貝格爾認為,隨著疫情逐漸消退,中國的 政策組合已轉向支持經濟復蘇,重點是減輕疫情的

綜合報導 國際貨幣基金組織(IMF)發表的最新 動遏制疫情蔓延,減輕其對經濟的影響,並支持經 增產和擴大應對疫情的其他關鍵活動。在維護金融 財政和貨幣政策來推動經濟穩定復蘇,"這是正確

"我們希望看到中國的強勁復蘇,這將有助於 缓解疫情大流行造成的全球經濟困難。"黑爾格·貝 格爾表示,國際合作仍是解決全球性挑戰的重要途徑 ,IMF呼籲各國在多個層面上展開全球合作,共同抗 擊疫情,"中國在這方面可以發揮重要作用"。

但IMF也提醒,由於疫情正在全球蔓延,金融 市場持續波動,這將給中國經濟復蘇帶來挑戰。黑 爾格·貝格爾表示,政策制定者需要保持警惕,提 前做好準備,在必要時為已經制定的計劃提供宏觀

電子監察甩漏 市民火眼金睛 1天截獲8宗



香港全城上下一心抗疫之際,24日繼續有 須家居隔離者罔顧疫情嚴峻,違反隔離令外出 吃喝玩樂。香港衛生署表示,迄今發出408封 違反檢疫令的警告信,24人被送到檢疫中心, 警方則表示24日全港多區最少截獲8宗違例外 出的個案,有人剪爛監察行蹤的電子手帶、有 人偷雞到食肆用膳,更有人發燒仍到車仔麵店 食宵夜,連累相關食肆店舖要停業大清洗。有 科技界人士指出,接連發生離家出走個案,顯 示電子手帶監察機制形同虛設,政府必須盡快 堵塞手帶漏洞;亦有傳染病專家認為,政府應 火速成立舉報熱線,讓全城市民監察檢疫者, 齊心阻截他們在社區播毒。

■香港文匯報記者 蕭景源

其中一宗較受關注的"出走"事件,涉及一名年僅13歲的少女。據悉,23日晚她從外地乘航班返港後,即乘的士往 石門入住一間酒店接受隔離14天,惟有人擬在開始接受隔離 時, "偷雞"與男親友到位於附近的一間"吉豚屋"餐廳用 膳,結果連累食肆暫停營業消毒。

戴帶少女光顧 食肆停業消毒

24日香港文匯報記者到上址了解,食肆董事朱先生表示, 事後已將違反隔離令者使用過的餐具及枱椅全部丢棄,並即時 進行一次內部消毒。為安全起見,24日暫停營業進行多一次全 面大消毒,停業一日損失數以萬港元,希望25日恢復營業。

朱先生坦言,違反隔離令的人實在是太自私,為一己私 您, 導致市民可能因而染上新冠肺炎, 太過唔合理及無公德 心。同集團其他分店,由24日起加強防疫措施,為顧客量體溫 及檢查有無手帶,如果發現有違令者即通知警方;他呼籲同 業,加強留意顧客中是否有隔離者,若發現立即舉報,因為抗 疫是需要所有人齊心合力,絕不可以姑息;希望香港可以盡快

朱先生憶述,23日晚10時許,當時少女隨男親友到來光 顧,其間被鄰枱食客發現她戴着手帶,不滿上前質問及手機拍 片,拍攝者不斷質問: "妳唔好走住呀,等警察來,戴住手帶 出街……隔離14天是為自己好為人哋好。"少女與男親友卻無 回應急步離去,並欲登上一輛的士,拍片者即通知司機兩人違 反隔離令,司機遂不肯接載及責罵兩人不戴口罩,兩人聞言始 戴上口罩過馬路離去。拍片者繼續尾隨喝止"喂,我報咗警唔 好走呀……戴住手帶周圍走,害死全香港人呀!

警尋獲違禁者 送夥洋強隔離

兩男女見無法脱身,哀求道: "畀條生路行下啦。" 拍 片者即反問: "咻家係你哋唔畀生路我哋呀, 畀條生路香港 人行啦!"短片影到兩人進入一間酒店大堂接待處完結。事 後警員到場調查,尋獲懷疑違反隔離令少女並送往火炭駿洋 邨的檢疫中心強制隔離。

敦促改進監察 速設舉報熱線

香港資訊科技商會榮譽會長方保僑表示,檢疫者"通街 走",揭示電子手帶漏洞多多,例如只要留下手機在家,由他 人幫助掃描二維碼"報到",就可避過系統檢查,呃系統以為 他仍在家。他指出,首三代的電子手帶內有藍牙等電子零件, 再配合政府提供的手機,監察較準確,但礙於材料等問題而不 能於短時間內大量生產,故政府改以掃描二維碼的方式,監察

他認為,應用程式的定位可準確監察檢疫者所在位置,但 掃描二維碼可由他人代勞,故建議設定一些指定動作,要求檢 疫者拍攝照片或片段,並上傳到電腦系統,而該動作能看檢疫 者的樣貌和手帶上的二維碼,確保其與手機顯示的位置一致, 呃唔到電腦系統。也有傳染病專家認為,政府應盡快成立舉報 熱線,讓全城市民監察檢疫者,齊心阻截他們在社區播毒。

何栢良籲入境者"社交戒嚴"

香港大學感染及傳染病中心總監何栢良24日在電台節目上 表示,入境者即使受感染,也未必有病徵,可能成社區的"隱形 播毒者",呼籲18萬名近日從外地高危地區返港的人士,必須要 自我"社交戒嚴",獨自用餐、不要參加任何聚會,甚至在家中 都要戴口罩,否則容易將病毒傳給他人"累到大家"。



有市民發現一名戴手帶 少女在食肆用膳。



手帶少女欲搭的士離去, 2 司機拒載。



少女慌忙中才醒起出街



在市民拍到手帶少女和其家 人進入一家酒店"避難"。



-名手戴"居家抗疫"電子監 察手帶的婦人在超級市場內購



網上圖片

違例個案也是市民舉報,例如24日晨10時 許,有市民在中環半山舊山頂道帝景園對開 發現一名戴電子手帶男子外出,於是報警; 警員到場截獲一名中年漢調查。另外下午1時 許,有人報案在灣仔駱克道近軍器廠街發現 一名戴電子手帶的外籍男子,警員到場截獲 该名洋漢了解;差不多同一時間,有警員巡 經深水埗大南街近白楊街,發現一名持護照 的23歲泰國籍女子,剪爛監察手帶與香港男

下午1時40分左右,警方接報指有戴監 察手帶的男子在尖沙咀彌敦道一間咖啡店買 食物,警員到場在附近北京道截獲該名53歲 日本籍男子,經向衛生署查核後,揭發他更 换了入住的檢疫地點而未通知衛生署,遂將 其帶走。約同一時間,尖沙咀河內道一酒店 職員亦報案指,發現一名隔離男住客23日晚 多次離開房間外出,警方及衛生署人員到場 向該名韓國籍男住客了解。

另下午2時許,一輛巴士在粉嶺聯和墟

香港文匯報訊(記者 蕭景源)24日多宗 海聯廣場對開埋站時,車長發現一名登車男 乘客戴有電子手帶,拒絕其上車及有乘客報 警。警方及衛生署人員到場證實為隔離人 士,他聲稱飢餓外出用膳,被要求穿上防護 衣由警車載走。

"偷食"手帶男 發燒即送院

24日午夜零時許,一名姓何(24歲)戴 有電子監察手帶青年,與數名友人到荃灣路 德圍一間車仔麵店宵夜,有食客發現報警; 警員到場調查,將何帶至店外涼亭等候衛生 署跟進;及至穿着保護衣的衛生署人員到場 為何測量體溫時,發現有發燒,於是立即召 來救護車將他送院隔離醫治。

香港文匯報記者24日晨再到涉事車仔麵 店了解,見有多名食環署外判清潔工為麵店 及在附近街道進行清潔消毒。車仔麵姓李女 負責人表示,24日店舖要休息一天進行徹底 消毒,她強調自政府實施強制家居隔離後, 已經叮囑員工如發現有顧客戴着電子監察手 帶光顧,會勸喻對方買外賣。

食肆停業清洗可索償

飲飲食食,最終害食肆要暫停

營業,以便進行大清洗。大律師陸偉雄接受香 港文匯報查詢時表示,食肆負責人可循民事索 償途徑,追討停業期間的生意損失,若涉款低 於7.5萬元(港元,下同),可透過小額錢債

隔離者破壞檢疫令外出 審裁處追討,若介乎7.5萬元至300萬元的索 償,則需到區域法院申索。

> 另外,如果戴電子手帶的女童由成人帶外 用膳,該名男子有涉嫌協助教唆違反檢疫令 的罪行,一旦罪成,刑罰等同違反檢疫令, 可判罰款2.5萬元及監禁6個月

香港文匯報訊(記者 杜思 文)香港特區政府行政長官林 鄭月娥24日表示,現時在社交 媒體上看到很多違反家居檢疫 令的個案,令人非常失望和痛 心。她強調,特區政府一定會 用盡力量加強檢控、巡查,亦

很快會成立舉報熱線 林鄭月娥24日出席行政會 議前,批評公然違反檢疫令的 行為會令社會增加病毒傳播風 險,希望現正接受家居檢疫的 人會為社會負起他們應盡的責 任。她並反問道: "是否值得

為外出一次而有刑事記錄?" 對於有人認為應將所有人安 排入檢疫中心,林鄭月娥表示, 現時若截獲違反檢疫令者,便會 把他送到檢疫中心,但檢疫中心 只有1.600個位,應該留給確診 者的緊密接觸者。"希望大家明 白,一定要按着風險來分配很有 **盾女** 限的檢疫設施。"

另外,政府發言人24日晚 對陸續有會所關閉其體育及康 樂設施,以配合政府的抗疫策 略表示歡迎。政府亦呼籲其他 私人會所和屋苑會所採取同樣 措施,以減低病毒傳播的風 險。據悉, "香港會"24日起 暫停開放,並向會員只提供外 賣的餐飲服務; 而香港賽馬會 的會所則於25日起暫停所有消 閒設施和大型宴會。

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美4月能重启经济?专家曝川普可恰权限

(综合报导)新冠肺炎冲击全球经济及金融市场,要竞选连任的美国总统川普相当焦急,24日放话要在4月12日前重新启动美国经济活动,不过法学专家表示,从宪法来看,川普根本没有权限这么做。

美国有线电视新闻网(CNN)报导,不顾专家警告,美国人重返工作岗位会加重疫情恶化,美国总统川普周二接受福斯新闻台(Fox News)专访时放话,要让美国在4月12日复活节时重新正常运作,还称,美国每年有数千人死于流感,在交通事故中丧命的人更多,重中必须重新开始工作。

根据《新闻周刊》(Newsweek)统计,截至24日,全美50州中—共有21州实施「就地避难」(shelter in place)或是「禁足令」等封城措施,除了必要设施、活动外,居民不可外出。

在各州政府实施禁足令下,川普究竟有 没有权限要求全国人民重返工作岗位?多位 法学专家打脸,从宪法的观点来看不可能。

路透社报导,美国是联邦制国家,权力由联邦政府及州政府共享,根据美国宪法第10号修正案(10th Amendment of the U.S. Constitution)规定,各州政府有权监督居民、规范公共福祉,尤其在早年,黄热病爆发之际,都是州政府及地方政府负责应对,并不是联邦政府。

前美国国土安全部(Department of Homeland Security)首席顾问布内尔(Steve Bunnell)表示,灾难事件的应对及金援基本上是由州政府进行、联邦政府在背后支持。前国土安全部官员柯恩(John Cohen)指出,这种由下而上的灾难应变措施是可以理解的,因为通常是州政府及地方官员最了解各州地方事务。

不过川普能否推翻各州甚至各郡、市政府的禁足令?答案仍是不能。美国德州大学法学教授薛士尼(Robert Chesney)说,川普这样做会违反宪法,因为联邦政府只能对全国发布指导原则,例如他16日颁布的「社交距离」(social distancing)政策也只是指导原则而已,川普可以改变他的建议、提倡任何政策,布内尔说,他的建议仍会影响美国经济。

至于川普能否要求任何私人企业重新运作?答案仍是不行。美国国土安全部于19日发布备忘录,建议健康照护、制药、食品供应链等基础设施行业的员工仍可照常工作,不过各州政府、地方政府仍有最终决定权,国际律师事务所 Proskauer Rose 合夥人 Anthony J. Oncidi 指出,这代表在复活节以前,川普真的没有任何权力指示不为联邦政府工作的员工上工。



在俄沙夹杀下 美加油页岩业者大幅减产

(综合报导)石油价格暴跌,美加油页岩业者撑不住了!北美石油生产商和服务公司正在削减生产,以应对石油价格创下历史新低产生的危机.最主要的原因是沙鸟地阿拉伯和俄罗斯之间持续不断的石油战争以及新型冠状病毒大流行导致全球对原油的需求各速下降。

本月稍早,莫斯科和利雅得按照提议的生产上限进行了分拆.俄罗斯拒绝沙乌地主导的石油输出国组织降产的要求.沙乌地不甘示弱,也提高了产量,并向市场倾销石油,希望油价下跌会对莫斯科造成足够的伤害,迫使其遵守当初的约定。

近年来,美国生产商重新定义了全球石油市场 ,掀起了页岩气大潮,使美国成为世界领先的生产 商。但是,大部分的增长是靠债务来实现的,而且 随著价格的螺旋式下降,一些生产商面临生产危机 。

北美生产商现在被迫削减运营以度过难关,一

些生产商还向川普总统和立法者施压,要求他们介入提供财政援助,并向沙乌地阿拉伯和俄罗斯施加压力,要求他们解决争端减产以提高国际石油市场价格。

例如,雪佛龙公司(Chevron)周二宣布,将把二叠纪盆地油田(美国最大的页岩地区)的支出减少一半,该油田横跨德克萨斯州西部和新墨西哥州东南部。据彭博社报导,这意味著该公司每天将减产约125,000桶,约占该地区总产能的2.5%。

雪佛龙还表示,将冻结其每年50亿美元的股票回购计划,并将2020年的预计资本支出降低20%,相当于约40亿美元。

其他北美生产商也在采取类似步骤。例如,在加拿大,加拿大最大的油砂经营者之一森科尔能源公司(Suncor Energy)表示,它将关闭阿尔伯塔省 Fort Hills 矿山的两列火车中的一列,原先生产商每天在此开采约194,000桶石油。



求助 外媒爆:私下跟欧

(综合报导)新冠肺炎疫情持续在全球扩散,日前美国总统川普才称,「美国永远不会求助于外国」,但有外媒报导,川普其实私底下却让欧亚各国提供帮助。

根据英媒《卫报》报导,川普周二下午在白宫才表示,我们永远不该依靠国外来生存,美国永远不会恳求别的国家。然而,美国政府却在背后与欧亚合作夥伴取得联系,确保美国能获得医疗设备等等急需的资源。

在上周,川普也曾和南韩总统文在寅通话,询问是否能够从南韩获得一些医疗设备

。虽然白宫并没有在官方公开这件事,但据 南韩青瓦台的说法,这通电话是川普的紧急 要求。

另外,美国杂志《外交政策》报导,美国国务院外交官 David Hale 曾经要求要列出能够向美国销售关键医疗设备的国家以及地区。一封发给美国欧亚大陆各国使馆邮件称,美国可能会购买数亿台机器设备,包括数十万台呼吸器等高级设备。但此一请求不包含莫斯科的国家。







(综合报导)生活科学(Live Science)引述 NBC 新闻报导,纽约的医生将测试新冠病毒的的实验疗法,就是取用康复者的血浆抗体,来协助新冠重症患者对抗病毒。

研究人员从康复的新冠肺炎患者取血,主要是收集血浆,也就是不包括血液细胞(红色球、白血球或血小板),只留血液中的液体部分。然后,研究人员将从血浆中收集针对新冠状病毒的抗体,再将这些抗体注射到患有新冠肺炎患者身上。

纽约州州长库莫(Andrew Cuomo)在周一(3月23日)的者会上提到这个治疗计计画,他说:「已经有前期测试表明,给病人注射康复者的抗体,有助助刺激和促进病人自身的免疫系统。」

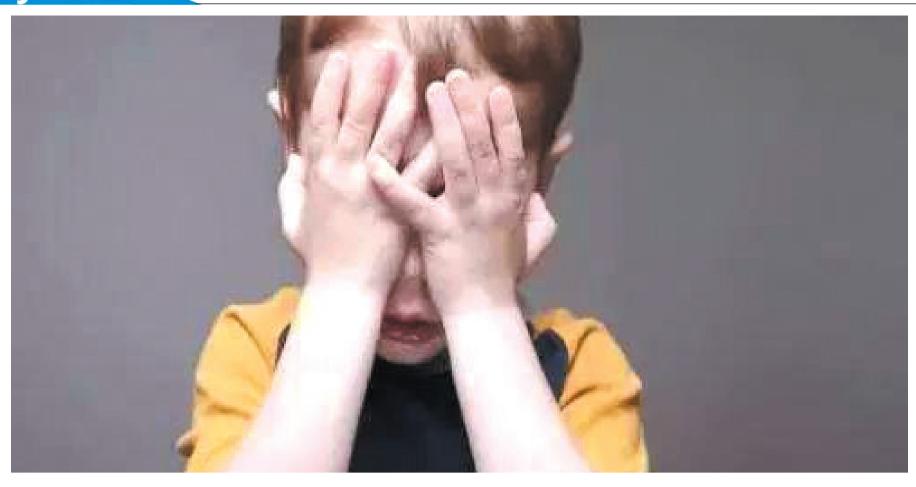
库莫说,这项计划在本周开始的试验,将只治疗那些新冠肺炎重症患者。

NBC新闻报导,其实这种抗体治疗法,已有100多年的历史,并且曾经在1918年的大流感中使用,在当年,抗病毒药物和大多数疫苗都不存在,因此康复者的血浆,成了唯一有效的治疗工具。

医生尝试新冠康复者的血浆 治疗重症者







看到一位妈妈的吐槽:

缩缩不敢说话。

就不敢表达自己,自尊心特别 怕,时间久了,就形成了这样 能学会正确的人际交往方法, 强,老师也说他脸皮特薄,没 的"两面派"性格。 有自信。可为什么他在家里的 无原则的妥协 时候和父母犟嘴,出去就什么

家是不是觉得很熟悉?

,这种行为就是我们说的典型 自己的需要 的"窝里横"。很多家长百思 这样子呢?

两个字:惯得!

无原则的溺爱 在家里,所有人都对他百 对家人颐指气使。

依百顺,无条件满足他,没有 孩子社交能力差 "我家孩子阳阳今年5岁, 人舍得去凶一下去管一下,形

孩子一哭闹父母就妥协,。 这种事情在无数家庭每天都上 像这位妈妈吐槽的场景大 演:吃饭前不许吃糖,但孩子 子,到底该怎么办? 哭闹着说一定要吃,家长就心 。时间久了,孩子就有了经验 下几个方面: 家中小老虎,家外小绵羊 : 多哭、多闹,家长就会满足 多为孩子创造社交机会

> 于是这些招数、想法统统失效 , 多带孩子到户外玩, 多接触 得不到成长。孩子在家得不到 自己的需求,一回到家又开始 友交往中学会谦和合作。

平时在家里胆子很大,大呼小 成了以自我为中心,对家里人 性格养成也是有一定影响的, 己试试去解决,以培养他的责 真实模样的镜子。 叫,家里人都拿他没办法。可 都是呼来喝去的,养成了一种 如果孩子的社交能力比较差, 任心和自信心,减少依赖性。 一出去和朋友玩,有的孩子霸 习惯。在外面,没有人去迁就 比较害怕社交,在外人面前就 一套在外面不管用,换句话说 子在外面和小朋友一起玩,表 会的交互作用中获得的,这是 中印象的缩影。 家长在的时候,阳阳还稍,他不知道该用什么方式来跟 现出胆怯,很多时候还因为在 谁也给予不了的。 微胆子大一点。在人多的时候 别人打交道,就会感到胆怯害 家里没有得到正确的引导,没 爱孩子要有"度" 于是,在遇到陌生人,很容易 要把握"度",更要掌握一定 知道,应该将爱留给在乎的家 出现害怕、退缩和焦虑的情绪 的原则,对孩子要有爱,但要 人,而不是把伤害留给家人。

家里有个"窝里横"的孩

其实"窝里横、外面怂" 孩子在外面很乖、很听话 软了:"给你吃给你吃,等下 的孩子,之所以出现这种性格 子的态度要一致。 ,简直就像一个"小天使",如果不吃饭看我不揍你!"孩 行为,多与家庭的教育有关, 结果在家里却像个小霸王似的 子如愿以偿,即使等下不好好 所以面对"窝里横外面怂"的 对于无理要求更是要学会说 ,谁都不怕,对长辈也是呼来 吃饭,也能如法炮制逃过责骂 孩子,家长们应该注意做到以 "不",让他知道不是任何事 有"窝里横、外面怂"的问题

当孩子在交往中发生争吵 家长要以身作则

时,只要没有危险,爸妈最好 孩子的社交能力对孩子的 不要干涉。遇到事情让孩子自 其实不是你的儿女,是照见你

星星不敢摘月亮的那种不可取

凡事都束缚孩子手脚的做 法也不恰当,而且家长对待孩

减少对孩子的过分关注, 误 情,长辈都会顺着他。

"窝里横"的孩子缺乏与 ,家长要学会适度放手,让孩 但是出门面对陌生的环境 外界打交道的经验,所以家长 子慢慢走向独立,不能因为觉 过分关注孩子,什么都围着他 不得其解:孩子为什么会长成 时,没有人会迁就另一个人, 要积极配合,给孩子创造机会 得孩子小而自己代劳,使孩子 转。 。所以,有的孩子在外面压抑 同龄小朋友,让孩子在与小朋 特别多的关注,渐渐地,他的 孩子拓展向外的触角,学习必 性格也会变得不再那么任性。

纪伯伦曾言:你的儿女,

父母是孩子了解世界的引 孩子的勇气与能力不是天 路人,父母一举一动,一言一 道强势一点,他就被吓得畏畏 顺从他,在家里呼来喝去的那 会显得比较"怂"。另外,孩 生的,必须是通过自身在与社 行,都是这个世界在孩子心目

> 所以不要将工作上的情绪 带到家里来,不要将脾气都宣 父母对待孩子的宽容不仅 泄给最亲近的家人。要让孩子

> > 不想让孩子变成"窝里横 ,家长首先要从自身先做起

孩子"窝里横,外面怂" ? 那是因为家长犯了这三个错

如果你们发现自己的孩子 ,一定要认真反思,不能只是 对于孩子力所能及的事情 一味的埋怨。家长在日常里要 多注意孩子的教育问题,不要

> 给予孩子科学的关爱,帮 要的社交技能,才是父母给孩 子的最好的教育。



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