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China's open, inclusive economy continues to create global opportunities



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Recently, the world's eyes have been on China and Shenzhen, where the 33rd APEC Economic Leaders' Meeting was successfully held. At the meeting, Chinese President Xi Jinping put forward a series of Chinese proposals on building an Asia-Pacific community and promoting shared prosperity in the region, laying out a clear list of opportunities. His proposals charted the right course and injected strong momentum into peace, development, cooperation and win-win outcomes in the Asia-Pacific and the wider world.

The most significant outcome of this year's APEC China Year was the adoption of the ambitious, pragmatic and comprehensive APEC Leaders' Shenzhen Outlook, which charts a new blueprint for Asia-Pacific cooperation. President Xi put forward four proposals for building an Asia-Pacific community in the new circumstances: solidarity and mutual assistance, openness and integration, enterprise and innovation, and inclusive development. He also proposed an overarching framework of "four pillars and eight key areas" for the Asia-Pacific community, comprising four pillars—economy and trade, connectivity, innovation, and development—and eight key areas: the Free Trade Area of the Asia-Pacific (FTAAP), physical connectivity, institutional connectivity, people-to-people connectivity, the digital economy, emerging technologies, capacity building, and sustainable growth. These proposals underscore China's firm commitment to openness, inclusiveness and shared development, and offer Chinese insights and solutions for advancing shared prosperity in the Asia-Pacific and addressing challenges in global economic governance.

The APEC China Year coincides with the opening year of China's 15th Five-Year Plan. At the APEC CEO Summit, President Xi Jinping made clear that China's 15th Five-Year Plan is not only a blueprint for the country's own development, but also a list of opportunities for promoting economic growth in the Asia-Pacific and the wider world. In this opening year, China's economy has delivered an impressive report card: GDP grew 4.6 percent year on year in the first three quarters, with an increase in economic output of 5.7 trillion yuan—the largest for the same period in the past five years. Total goods trade grew 18.8 percent year on year, reaching a record high for the same period. China's vast and open market, immense development potential and mutually reinforcing environment for cooperation will continue to serve as one of the world's strongest, most stable and most reliable engines of economic growth.

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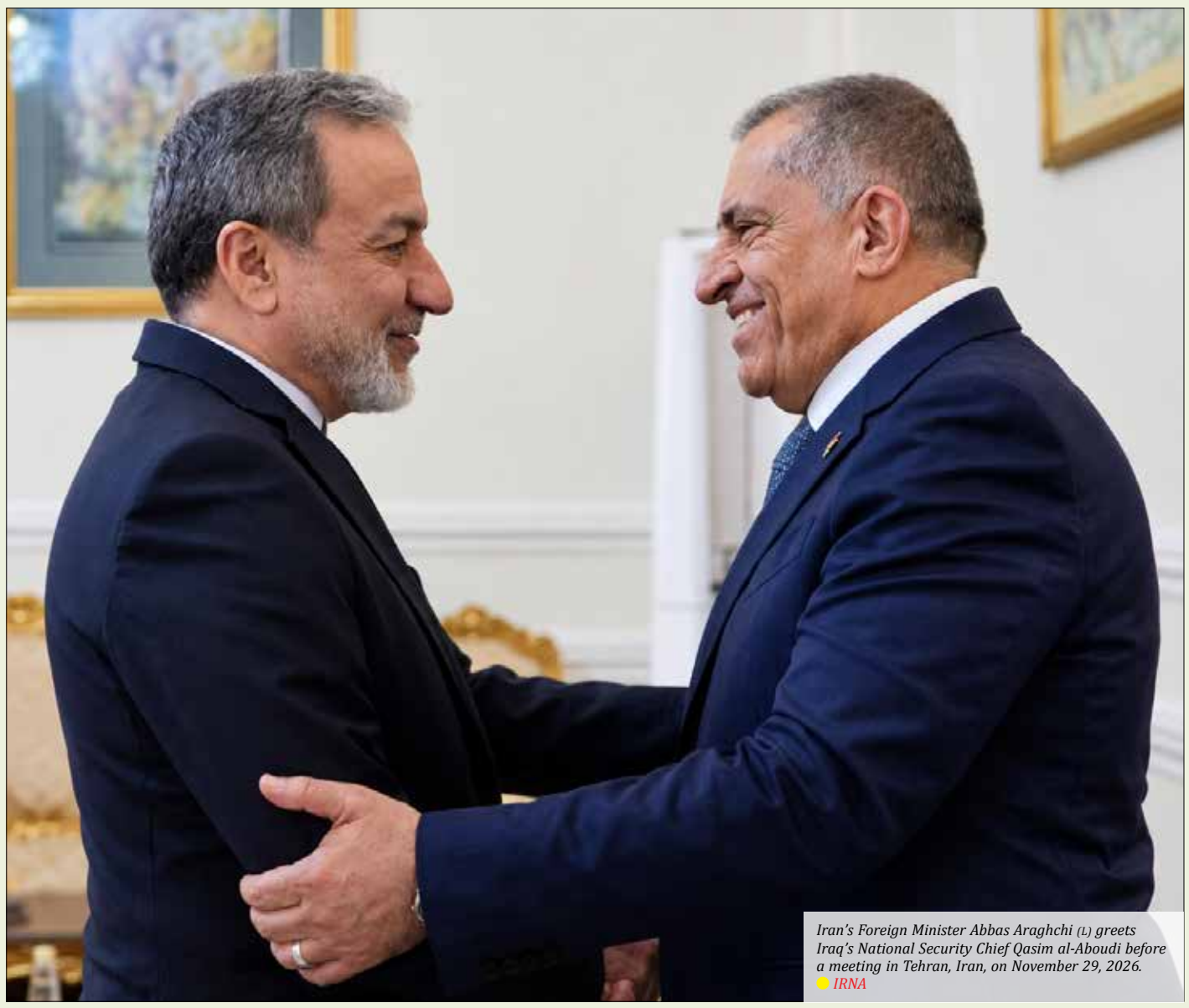

Iran's Foreign Minister Abbas Araghchi (L) greets Iraq's National Security Chief Qasim al-Aboudi before a meeting in Tehran, Iran, on November 29, 2026. ● *IRNA*



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