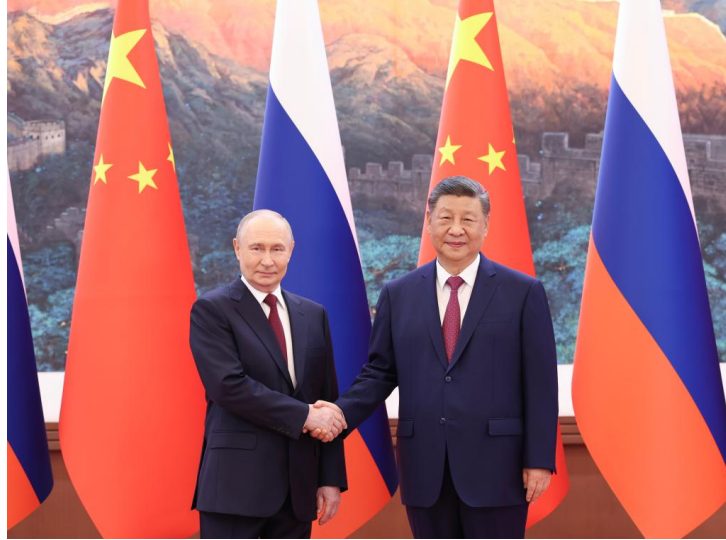


Xi and Putin Hold Comprehensive Talks in Beijing



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BEIJING, May 20— Chinese President Xi Jinping held talks with Russian President Vladimir Putin at the Great Hall of the People in Beijing on Wednesday, with both sides agreeing to extend the China-Russia Treaty of Good-Neighborliness and Friendly Cooperation. Xi noted that this year marks the 30th anniversary of the China-Russia strategic partnership and the 25th anniversary of the treaty.

He said relations have deepened through political mutual trust, strategic coordination, and expanded cooperation across multiple fields, while calling for full implementation of consensus and advancement of high-quality development in bilateral ties.

Xi stressed that as permanent members of the UN Security Council, both countries should strengthen strategic coordination and improve global governance. The two sides agreed to expand cooperation in trade, energy, science and technology, and people-to-people exchanges, creating new growth drivers. They also pledged stronger coordination under frameworks including the UN, SCO, BRICS, and APEC to promote global stability and shared development goals.

Putin said Russia-China relations have reached an unprecedented level with strong political trust and steadily growing cooperation across sectors. Both leaders exchanged views on international and regional issues, including the situation in the Middle East, and witnessed the signing of multiple cooperation documents covering trade, education, science, and technology. They reaffirmed that the treaty remains a cornerstone of bilateral relations and pledged to deepen comprehensive strategic partnership for long-term stability and mutual development.