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SOCIAL MEDIA CHATTER IN CHINA

- **Nancy Pelosi and Hu Xijin have become a well-known made-up couple in *The Impossible Love Story*:** There is still time for some internet joking despite rising tensions while everyone waits to see if [Nancy Pelosi](#) will visit Taiwan (all recent indicators are that she will make a stop on the island): Chinese internet users have concocted a romantic dream with Hu Xijin, a commentator for the Chinese Global Times, and U.S. House speaker Pelosi.

NEWS IN CHINA

- Tuesday, as the seventh typhoon of the year approached the country's southern coastal districts, China triggered a [level-IV emergency reaction](#). In reaction to gales and severe rains brought on by typhoon Mulan, the State Flood Control and Drought Relief Headquarters started the emergency response in Guangdong, Guangxi, Hainan, Fujian, and other provinces. On Wednesday between midday and evening, the typhoon is forecast to make landfall somewhere between the northeastern shore of Hainan island and the western coast of Guangdong Province.
- According to Tuesday's media statement by [Wang Kwo-Tsai](#), minister of transportation and communications, flight routes to and from Taiwan remain unaffected by China's decision to move military exercises from the area surrounding Taiwan to the Bohai Sea and the Yellow Sea.

Wang stated that the Chinese Communist Party (CCP) had recently conducted a three-day military exercise around Taiwan and that all incoming and departing aircraft and ships had safely avoided the transient danger zones created by the drills under the supervision of the ministry's Civil Aeronautics Administration and Maritime Port Bureau, according to CNA.

- The Chinese People's Liberation Army's Eastern Theater Command carried out practical joint drills in the sea and airspace surrounding Taiwan Island on the ninth, concentrating on planning joint closure and control and joint support operations. The theatre air force sent out different types and batches of fighter planes, including tankers, jammers, early warning aircraft, and fighter jets, and concentrated on planning drills such as air superiority operations, aerial refueling, and maritime assistance. The primary focus of the air combat force is evaluating its members' situational awareness, tactical decision-making, and tactical application skills in challenging electromagnetic conditions. To keep the air combat forces in the air for a long period and to continue carrying out the mission, the support and support forces are carefully linked.
- The so-called CHIPS and Science Act, which aims to target China's semiconductor supply chain, was signed into law by U.S. President Joe Biden on Tuesday, paving the way for a heated political battle with far-reaching repercussions in the intricate global chip industry. As Washington turns to domestic legislation rather than relying on sanctions

against specific Chinese companies in the campaign, the move also represents a significant uptick and a change in the multi-year crackdown on China's chip industry, according to Chinese industry analysts, who called for comprehensive countermeasures from the Chinese government and companies.

- On the subject of the white paper "Taiwan Issue and China's Reunification in the New Era," the Spokesperson of the Taiwan Affairs Office of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China was given permission to speak. The white paper fully implements the CPC's solution to the Taiwan issue in the new era and follows the principles of Xi Jinping Thought on Socialism with Chinese Characteristics for a New Era, which is based on the overall strategy of the great rejuvenation of the Chinese nation and the great changes unseen in the world in a century.
 - Hainan implemented epidemic preventive measures as a result of the severe local new crown outbreak, which nearly caused the island to be closed and left all travelers stranded. No flight was scheduled to leave Sanya until Tuesday night. As of the morning of August 10, eligible stranded individuals can submit an application for outlying islands with a nucleic acid negative certificate and a green health code, according to a Hainan Province announcement. According to the local authorities, "social zero" will be reached on December 12. Cities like Sanya and Haikou have been shut down one after another as a result of the disease spreading throughout Hainan. More than 80,000 tourists are stuck on the island as a result
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of the busiest travel period.

INDIA WATCH

- The Hong Kong government has maintained that the recently implemented health code system is a crucial safeguard as the city minimizes the amount of time that arriving international passengers must spend in quarantine. Travelers must stay in hotels during the first three days following arriving and will be given an amber code valid for seven days. They are free to go to work or go shopping during the subsequent four days of medical observation, but the amber code prohibits them from going to high-risk locations like restaurants and nightclubs. To foster a supportive climate for the occasion, which is anticipated to mark the beginning of Xi Jinping's third term as party secretary, government officials have frequently emphasized the necessity of continuing the zero-Covid strategy. It has become evident that preventing hospitalization and death is the main goal of vaccinations. The mainland Covid death rate demonstrates the value of China's inactivated vaccines in attaining this objective. It would be encouraging for an economic recovery if the authorities eliminated health laws and increased vaccination rates in Hong Kong and the mainland, as some economists and citizens have hoped.
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