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- **Human rights advocates urge UN rights chief to visit Tibet**

The United Nations human rights chief must include Tibet on the itinerary of her planned trip to China in May, human rights groups told RFA. U.N. High Commissioner for Human Rights Michelle Bachelet announced earlier this month that she had come to an agreement with the Chinese government for a visit “foreseen to take place in May.” (*RFA*)

- **China streamers scrub Keanu Reeves titles over his support for Tibet**

Actor Keanu Reeves may now be kaput in China, despite his past close collaboration with its film authorities and decades of mega-stardom spanning the length of the country’s engagement with Hollywood. In the wake of his show of support for Tibet earlier this month, the “John Wick” and “Matrix” star has fallen afoul of the country’s strict censorship regime, placing his future career in the world’s largest film market in jeopardy. (*Tibet.net*)

- **Speaker Khenpo Sonam Tenphel offers condolences on the demise of former US Secretary of State Madeleine Albright**

Khenpo Sonam Tenphel, the Speaker of the Tibetan Parliament-in-Exile, extended his heartfelt condolence on the demise of Madeleine Albright, the first female US Secretary of the State, who passed away at the age of 84. (*Tibet.net*)

- **Swiss Parliamentarian Calls Federal Council’s Attention to Situation in Kham Drakgo**

Co-president of Swiss-Parliamentary Group for Tibet Hon’ble Nicolas Walder expressed concern over the “worrying” situation in Tibet, in particular increasing Chinese repression in Kham Drakgo, Eastern Tibet. (*Tibet.net*)

- **China extends restrictions on Tibetan language use in apps, streaming services**

The Chinese government has now extended its restrictions on Tibetan language on various online platforms and video streaming services, as sources fear another push for further assimilation of China’s so-called ethnic minorities into the dominant Han Chinese culture. (*Phayul*)



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- **Resolution No. 39 cited to disrupt Tibetan parliament discussion of justice commission budget**

The ghost of Resolution No. 39 of the 16th Tibetan Parliament in Exile (TPiE) loomed large as the 17th TPiE took up discussion on the annual budget of the Tibetan Supreme Justice Commission (TSJC) on Mar 23. An angry section of its members opposed the allocation of salaries for the two justice commissioners, saying they had been removed by that resolution of the previous parliament and called their continuance in service illegal. (*Tibetan Review*)

- **Speaker Khenpo Sonam Tenphel Inaugurates Portable X-ray Machine on World TB Day**

Under the Zero TB Project of Tibetan Delek Hospital, Speaker Khenpo Sonam Tenphel of the Tibetan Parliament-in-Exile inaugurated Fuji film portable X-ray machine at Upper TCV earlier today on World TB Day. (*Tibet.net*)

- **USAID Delegation Visits the New Tibet Museum**

On 24th March 2022, the USAID delegation visited The Tibet Museum during the 4th day of their visit. Tenzin Topdhen, Deputy Director of Tibet Museum, gave a brief tour of the museum to the representatives of USAID comprising of Office Director Mark Tegenfeldt, Deputy Office Director Dr Poonam Smith-Sreen, Development Assistance Specialist Balaka Dey and Project Management Specialist Radharani Thakuria from General Development Office. (*Tibet.net*)



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TIBET WATCH

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Lnad7ejKOXU>

His Holiness the Dalai Lama reunites online with Archbishop Desmond Tutu from his residence in Dharamsala, HP, India on June 24, 2021, on the occasion of the release of their new movie "Mission: Joy - Finding Happiness in Troubled Times".



#TIBET MATTERS

@SFT_India:

On China's Foreign minister Wang Yi's visit in #India, Tenzin Lekdhen from Students For a Free Tibet-India staged a non-violent protest calling out #China for its atrocities, crimes against humanity in #Tibet and other occupied countries. His message "WANGYI YOU ARE NOT WELCOME"

@NetTibet:

How to Expand Love by His Holiness the 14th Dalai Lama #FridayReads With this illuminating and instructive handbook, His Holiness the Great 14th Dalai Lama of Tibet offers sensible, everyday guidelines for transforming self-centered energy into outwardly directed compassion.

@SaveTibetOrg:

#China's crackdown on the #Tibetan language continues! The government is preventing Tibetans from speaking and performing in their language on social media platforms

@freetibetorg:

Known in Tibetan as Drokpa, nomads have a distinct culture & way of life. Under China's rule, nomadic life is under threat. For decades, China has been relocating nomads into barracks-style settlements & forcing them off their ancestral land.



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DID YOU KNOW?

The Nyingma school of Tibetan Buddhism has the longest established history of the transmission of all of the four major traditions of Tibetan Buddhism. This is reflected in the name Nyingma which literally means “Old Order” The other three main schools of Tibetan Buddhism including Sakya, Kagyu, and Gelug are collectively referred to as Sarma “New Order” Because they rely on the Tibetan translations of Indian Buddhist texts that were prepared under the system established during the period of the second dissemination of Buddhism into Tibet. Nyingma primarily relies on the old translations, particularly of tantric texts, and its Tibetan origins are traced to Buddhist pioneers of the time of King Trisong Detsen. Because of this, it called the “Old Translation Order”