

Canada seeks to strengthen ties with China

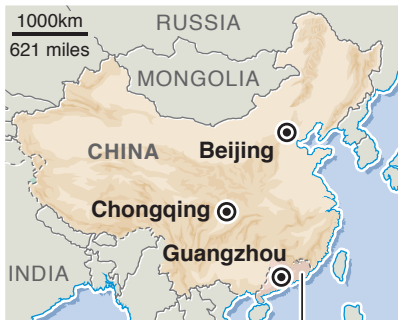
Canadian Prime Minister Stephen Harper, in China to strengthen economic ties, is due to meet both current and emerging leaders during his visit, seen as crucially important to the future of bilateral trade as China begins a major leadership transition later this year

ITINERARY

Days 1-3, Beijing:
Meetings with **Hu Jintao**, **Wen Jiabao** and **Li Keqiang**

Day 4, Guangzhou:
Speech to Canadian business community

Day 5, Chongqing:
Expected to accept gift of pandas



Guangdong province



President Hu Jintao

Stepping aside later this year



Premier Wen Jiabao

Stepping down next year



Vice-Premier Li Keqiang

Likely to succeed Wen Jiabao



Wang Yang

Reformer who presides over **Guangdong province**



Bo Xilai

Traditionalist party secretary of **Chongqing**

Communist Party bosses tipped to be promoted to all-powerful *Standing Committee of the Politburo*

TRADE: Canadian exports to China, 2010 (%)

Woodpulp (paper or paperboard scraps)

16.5

Ores, slag and ash

10.5

Mineral fuels, oils

9.8

Fats, oils and waxes

7.5

Oil seeds and misc. fruit, grain, etc.

6.6

Wood and wood articles, charcoal

6.5

Nickel and nickel articles

5.7

Boilers, mechanical appliances, etc.

4.1

Organic chemicals

3.5

Copper and copper articles

3.3

Other

26



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