Organization of the State Council

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The State Council

Premier: Wen Jiabao

Vice-Premiers: Huang Ju, Wu Yi, Zeng Peiyan, Hui Liangyu

State Councillors: Zhou Yongkang, Cao Gangchuan, Tang Jiaxuan, Hua Jianmin, Chen Zhili

State Council Secretary General: Hua Jianmin (concurrently)

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The State Council of the People's Republic of China, namely the Central People's Government, is the highest executive organ of State power, as well as the highest organ of State administration. The State Council is composed of a premier, vice-premiers, State councillors, ministers in charge of ministries and commissions, the auditor-general and the secretary-general. The premier of the State Council is nominated by the president, reviewed by the NPC, and appointed and removed by the president. Other members of the State Council are nominated by the premier, reviewed by the NPC or its Standing Committee, and appointed and removed by the president. In the State Council, a single term of each office is five years, and incumbents cannot be reappointed after two successive terms.

The State Council follows the system of premier responsibility in work while various ministries and commissions under the State Council follow the system of ministerial responsibility. In dealing with foreign affairs, State councilors can conduct important activities on behalf the premier after being entrusted by the premier of the State Council. The auditor-general is the head of the State Auditing Administration, in charge of auditing and supervising State finances. The secretary-general, under the premier, is responsible for the day-to-day work of the State Council and is in charge of the general office of the State Council.

The State Council is responsible for carrying out the principles and policies of the Communist Party of China as well as the regulations and laws adopted by the NPC, and dealing with such affairs as China's internal politics, diplomacy, national defense, finance, economy, culture and education.

Under the current Constitution, the State Council exercises the power of administrative legislation, the power to submit proposals, the power of administrative leadership, the power of economic management, the power of diplomatic administration, the power of social administration, and other powers granted by the NPC and its Standing Committee.

Ministries and Commissions under the State Council:

Ministry of Foreign Affairs: Minister Li Zhaoxing

Ministry of National Defense: Minister Cao Gangchuan (concurrently)

State Development and Reform Commission: Minister in charge: Ma Kai

Ministry of Education: Minister Zhou Ji

Ministry of Science and Technology: Minister Xu Guanhua

State Commission of Science, Technology and Industry for National Defense: Minister in Charge: Zhang Yunchuan

State Ethnic Affairs Commission: Minister in Charge: Li Dek Su (Korean)

Ministry of Public Security: Minister Zhou Yongkang
Ministry of State Security: Minister Xu Yongyue
Ministry of Supervision: Minister Li Zhilun
Ministry of Civil Affairs: Minister Li Xueju
Ministry of Justice: Minister Zhang Fusen
Ministry of Finance: Minister Jin Renqing
Ministry of Personnel: Minister Zhang Bolin
Ministry of Labour and Social Security: Minister Zheng Silin
Ministry of Land and Resources: Minister Sun Wensheng
Ministry of Construction: Minister Wang Guangtao
Ministry of Railways: Minister Liu Zhijun
Ministry of Communications: Minister Li Shenglin
Ministry of Information Industry: Minister Wang Xudong
Ministry of Water Resources: Minister Wang Shucheng
Ministry of Agriculture: Minister Du Qinglin
Ministry of Commerce: Minister Bo Xilai
Ministry of Culture: Minister Sun Jiazheng
Ministry of Health: Minister Gao Qiang
State Population and Family Planning Commission: Minister in Charge: Zhang Weiqing
People's Bank of China: Governor: Zhou Xiaochuan
National Audit Office: Auditor-General: Li Jinhua

Special Organization directly under the State Council:
Commission of the State-owned Assets Supervision and Administration: Chairman Li Rongrong

Organizations directly under the State Council:
General Administration of Customs: Director Mou Xinsheng
State Bureau of Taxation: Director Xie Xuren
State Environmental Protection Administration: Director Zhou Shengxian
Civil Aviation Administration of China: Director Yang Yuanyuan
State Administration of Radio, Film and Television: Director Wang Taihua
State Sports General Administration: Director Liu Peng
State Statistics Bureau: Director Qiu Xiaohua
State Administration for Industry and Commerce: Director Wang Zhongfu
State Press and Publication Administration: Director Long Xinmin
State Forestry Bureau: Director Jia Zhibang
General Administration of Quality Supervision, Inspection and Quarantine: Director Li Changjiang
State Drug Administration: Director Zheng Xiaoyu
State Intellectual Property Office: Director Wang Jingchuan
National Tourism Administration: Director Shao Qiwei
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Counsellor’s Office under the State Council: Director Cui Zhanfu
Bureau of Government Offices Administration: Director Jiao Huancheng
State Administration of Work Safety: Director Li Yizhong

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Legislative Affairs Office: Director Cao Kangtai
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Research Office: Director Wei Liqun

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Chinese Academy of Social Sciences: President Chen Kuiyuan
Chinese Academy of Engineering: President Xu Kuangdi
Development Research Center: Director Wang Mengkui
National School of Administration: President Hua Jianmin (concurrently)
State Seismological Bureau: Director Chen Jianmin
China Meteorological Administration: Director Qin Dahe
China Banking Regulatory Commission (CBRC): Chairman Liu Mingkang
China Securities Regulatory Commission: Chairman Shang Fulin
China Insurance Regulatory Commission: Chairman Wu Dingfu
State Electricity Regulatory Commission (SERC): Chairman Chai Songyue
National Council for Social Security Fund: President Xiang Huaicheng
National Natural Science Foundation: Chairman Chen Yiyu

Administrations and Bureaus under the Ministries & Commissions:
State Grain Bureau: Director Nie Zhenbang
State Tobacco Monopoly Industry Bureau: Director Jiang Chengkang
State Bureau of Foreign Experts Affairs: Director Wan Xueyuan
State Oceanography Bureau: Director Sun Zhihui
State Bureau of Surveying & Mapping: Director Lu Xinshe
State Postal Bureau: Director Liu Andong
State Bureau of Cultural Relics: Director Shan Jixiang
State Administration of Traditional Chinese Medicine: Director She Jing (concurrently)
State Administration of Foreign Exchange: Director Hu Xiaolian

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