

ECB study: The US remains deeply dependent on Chinese supply, while China has largely broken free from its "critical dependence" on Europe and the US.

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Russian state media, citing the Kremlin, reported that President Vladimir Putin and US envoy Steve Witkoff held talks for approximately three hours at the Kremlin today.

The United States is accelerating its efforts to build nuclear reactors on the moon and Mars, striving to launch the first systems before 2030, ahead of China and Russia. According to Politico, NASA's new directive calls for the appointment of a nuclear power "tsar" to select two commercial proposals within six months. The directive states this is crucial to surpassing the joint China-Russia plan.

The US government is planning to raise tariffs on Taiwanese goods to 20%, and President Trump recently took another tack, reportedly demanding that TSMC acquire nearly half of Intel's shares as part of a tradeoff for tax cuts for Taiwan. Foreign media and industry insiders have expressed strong concern about this move, fearing it could have far-reaching impacts on the global chip supply chain and even trigger monopoly risks.

Tesla (TSLA) and its CEO Elon Musk are facing a class-action lawsuit from shareholders, alleging securities fraud by concealing significant risks related to self-driving technology, including that of the Robotaxi. Musk, in a post on X, criticized the lawyers involved in the case, calling them "the scum of the earth and the worst people I have ever met."

U.S. President Donald Trump hinted that Vice President JD Vance is the "most likely" candidate to run for the Republican Party's presidency in 2028.



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## Tariff War (4) EU and US

The tariff war can be divided into several categories: China is in the strongest rival state, Russia is in war state with US and trading diminished, borderline countries like Mexico and Canada are bounded by fentanyl and illegal immigrants, EU is the traditional partner of US, then chip-4, then the rest of the world.

Originally China had an idea to unite the whole world to fight against US in tariff war, but of course impossible. They are all exporting countries and are aiming at US. They do not have any inter-trading that can replace US. They still have to face US one by one.

EU described the deal with US is already the best among the most tough situation.

The EU pledged: (1) Energy procurement: "plans to purchase" 750 billion euros of US liquefied natural gas, oil, and nuclear energy products over the next three years; (2) Investment in the US: EU companies "have expressed interest" in investing at least 600 billion US dollars in various sectors in the US in the future.

Anyway, Donald Trump not just asked for tariff, but also investment to bloom up the domestic economy and improve unemployment. Therefore it lowered the risk of recession and inflation, don't focus too much on this. So when the stock market retreats, it is another *golden pit*. That is the best point of buying in a bull market.