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US, CHINA HOLD ECONOMIC TALKS IN NEW YORK AHEAD OF WHITE HOUSE SUMMIT

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US Treasury Secretary Scott Bessent met with Chinese Vice Premier He Lifeng in New York on Sunday for high-level negotiations covering artificial intelligence (AI) security, critical minerals and trade friction.

"These talks help lay the groundwork for (US) President (Donald) Trump to advance America's economic interests and deliver results for the American people," Bessent wrote on the US social media platform X, noting that the engagement continues dialogue on the economic relationship before Trump hosts Chinese President Xi Jinping in Washington.

Arriving at the JPMorgan Chase headquarters in Manhattan, Bessent told reporters that he anticipated "focused, fulsome and constructive talks" alongside US Trade Representative Jamieson Greer.

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