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Dear friends and colleagues,

Happy New Year! I will be in Beijing this Wednesday for a couple of weeks. Please get in touch if you are around and would like to meet!

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PBSC Week i	n Review	
<b>Xi Jinping</b> Party General Secretary; PRC President;	Jan 29	Xi issued a statement urging the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the Chinese Embassy in Malaysia to assist the rescue efforts for the 28 Chinese nationals on a boat that sank off Malaysia's Sabah state.
Chairman of Central Military Commission	Jan 26	<b>Xi delivered a speech at the State Council Spring Festival reception.</b> <i>Full text of his speech (in Chinese).</i>
	Jan 25	Xi visited former leaders with seasons greetings ahead of Spring Festival. Jiang Zemin and Hu Jintao, Li Peng, Zhu Rongji, Li Ruihuan, Wen Jiabao and others were among those who "got personal visits either from the current leaders or from their representatives".
<b>Li Keqiang</b> Premier	Feb 3	<b>Li chaired an executive meeting of the State Council.</b> Focused on protecting the rights of migrant workers, improving the system for legislators and CPPCC members to make proposals to the State Council, and approved the 13 <sup>th</sup> Five Year Plans for food and drug safety.
	Jan 29	Li issued a statement urging search and rescue efforts for a boat that sank off Malaysia's Sabah state.
	Jan 26	Li presided over the State Council Spring Festival reception.

	Jan 25	Li spoke with German Chancellor Angela Merkel on the phone.
	Jan 23-25	Li made an inspection tour in Yunnan Province.
<b>Zhang Dejiang</b> Chair of the	Jan 26	Zhang attended the State Council Spring Festival reception.
National People's Congress	Jan 25	Zhang visited his predecessors with seasons greetings ahead of Spring Festival.
Yu Zhengsheng Chair of the	Jan 26	Yu attended the State Council Spring Festival reception.
Chinese People's Political	Jan 25	Yu visited his predecessors with seasons greetings ahead of Spring Festival.
Consultative Conference	Jan 24	Yu spoke at a symposium with leaders of national religious groups ahead of Spring Festival.
<b>Liu Yunshan</b> Head of Party	Jan 26	Liu attended the State Council Spring Festival reception.
Secretariat; Head of Propaganda	Jan 25	Liu visited the Spring Festival Gala to give support to the participants.
Wang Qishan Secretary of the Central Commission for		
Discipline Inspection	Jan 26	Wang attended the State Council Spring Festival reception.
<b>Zhang Gaoli</b> Executive Vice Premier	Jan 26	Zhang attended the State Council Spring Festival reception.

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