China Turkey Pledge to Strengthen Anti-Terrorism Cooperation

RIDING - China and Turkey on Wednesday pledged to strengthen anti-terrorism cooperation, such as fighting the terrorism in the Xinjiang region.

Beijing - Foreign Minister Wang Yi and his Turkish counterpart Mevlut Cavusoglu reached Beijing on Wednesday for the fifth China-Turkey Strategic Cooperation Dialogue.

The meeting came during a visit by Turkish Foreign Minister Yi and his Turkish counterpart Mevlut Cavusoglu, who is in Beijing for a four-day official visit including discussions on regional and international issues.

"Anti-terrorism and security cooperation are important components of China-Turkey relations".

TURKEY - Turkey's Prime Minister Recep Tayyip Erdogan acknowledged Thursday that Turkey is "constantly working to defend its country despite any challenges".

The comments were made during a joint press conference with his Chinese counterpart Xi Jinping, following a bilateral meeting on the sidelines of the Fifth China-Turkey Cooperation Dialogue.

"We have been working with our Chinese friends to combat terrorism in a coordinated and effective manner," Erdogan said.

"Turkey has the will and the courage to defend itself against any challenge. We will continue to work closely with our Chinese friends to combat terrorism and regional threats," Erdogan added.

China and Turkey are important partners in the fight against terrorism, with both countries facing similar challenges.

The joint declaration also highlights the commitment of both countries to promote bilateral economic cooperation, including in key sectors such as energy, infrastructure, and trade.

The declaration reflects the strong bond between China and Turkey, which has been strengthened over the years through various high-level visits and agreements.

China and Turkey share a long history of cultural exchange and diplomatic relations, with the two countries having established diplomatic relations in 1971.

The joint declaration underscores the importance of maintaining a strong and stable relationship between China and Turkey in the face of global challenges, including terrorism and economic pressures.

Together, China and Turkey will continue to work closely to strengthen anti-terrorism cooperation, ensuring the security and stability of both countries and the region as a whole.