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China, for its part, “reaffirmed its support for Pakistan in safeguarding its sovereignty, independence and security, as well as promoting its socio-economic development and prosperity.”

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“We are still investigating the presence of the AA

The pledge, made in a January 26 video call with Cambodian Prime Minister Hun Sen, represents a small concession in a deadlocked peace process since Myanmar's military seized power a year ago from the elected government of Aung San Suu Kyi's National League for Democracy (NLD).

**REUTERS, Vatican City**

**REUTERS, New Delhi**

**REUTERS, Tunis**

Tunisian police have locked the doors of the Supreme Judicial Council, its head told Reuters yesterday, a day after President Kais Saied dissolved it, and have stopped staff from entering the building. Saied's announcement has raised fears for the rule of law in Tunisia after his seizure of almost total power last summer in a move his critics have branded a coup, with judges' associations accusing him of an illegal act that undermines judicial independence. "The president has moved to the stage of seizing institutions. What is happening is very dangerous and illegal," said council head Youssef Bouzakhher. Saied has been consolidating his powers since last summer when he suspended parliament and dismissed the prime minister.

