

《李克强总理宣布2018年军事预算 达1.11万亿元》

在5日的政府工作报告中，李克强总理宣布，中国2018年的军事预算达1.11万亿元。



China has announced a military budget of 1.11 trillion yuan (\$175bn) for the coming year.

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The figure, an 8% increase on last year, was announced as the annual meeting of parliament got under way in Beijing.

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Prime Minister Li Keqiang also set a target of 6.5% growth for the economy.

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The National People's Congress (NPC) is also expected to remove the two-term presidential limit.

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Its delegates, about 3,000 of them representing all provinces and regions, are technically elected.

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The government has said it will focus on three main goals over the coming year: tackling China's exposure to financial risk, reining in rampant pollution and continuing to combat poverty.

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In his report to parliament, Mr Li said the army must be "strong as stone" in the face of "profound changes in the national security environment".

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The increased spending, announced in a budget report, is seen as a good indication of China's strategic ambitions, as it continues to modernise its army

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China is now the world's second largest economy. After years of rapid growth, millions have been lifted out of poverty and there is a ballooning middle class.

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There are also some 100 billionaires in China. Many of them are members of the Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference (CPPCC), the top advisory body, which is also meeting this week.

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