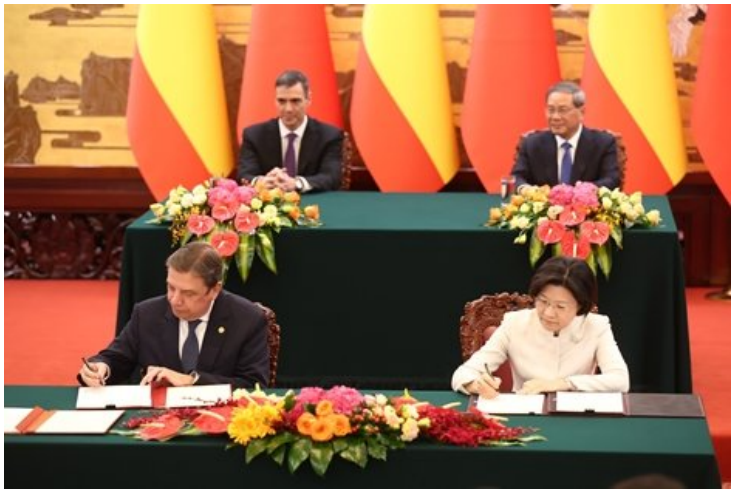
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Spain and China signÂ cherryÂ export protocols to boost trade with Asia

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Spain Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries, and Food, Luis Planas, and the Minister of the General Administration of Customs of China, Sun Meijun, have signed new protocols for the export of cherries to the Asian country, China. The agreement, signed by the Spanish and Chinese governments, increase the export capacity of cherry in Spanish sectors.

Since 2018, both countries have signed 10 protocolsâ??both signed todayâ??on sanitary and phytosanitary requirements for the export of agricultural and food products from Spain to China, which also include olive paste, pet food, feed oats, almonds, and persimmons.

The new agreement for cherry exports opens up this product to the Asian country. The processing, packaging, storage, and transportation of cherries destined for export will be carried out under the supervision of the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries, and Food. It will also be responsible for ensuring that only cherries from registered orchards can enter the packaging warehouse for selection and processing. This protocol will be valid for three years from today, the date of signing.

In total, Spanish sales to the Asian country account for 2.5% of agri-food exports. China is undoubtedly a strategic market for numerous Spanish companies and represents significant potential for this country's exports. In fact, it is Spain's ninth largest market in value and the third largest outside the EU after the United Kingdom and the United States.

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