CGTN America: Ambassador Qin Gang, Henry Kissinger and more speak at the commemoration event for the 50th anniversary of “Ping Pong Diplomacy”

"Fifty years ago, at the darkest moment of the Cold War, young Chinese and American table tennis players broke the ice of estrangement and confrontation with their amity and sincerity, and sowed the seeds of friendship," Ambassador Qin Gang said in a televised message at the commemoration.

Former U.S. Secretary of State and diplomat Dr. Henry Kissinger also shared his thoughts on Chinese-U.S. relations in a pre-taped message.

Two former professional Chinese ping pong players, Liang Geliang and Zheng Huaiying also discussed the importance of their beloved sport and how it brings people together in a recorded video message.

Chinese Table Tennis Association’s president Liu Guoliang also played a friendship match with his American counterpart Virginia Sung.

To read more about “the commemoration event for the 50th anniversary of “Ping Pong diplomacy” follow this link: [https://youtu.be/sFfpa0Pp-2I](https://youtu.be/sFfpa0Pp-2I)

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