



## Some Microsoft Employees in China Requested to Relocate to Different Countries

### Description

Microsoft has reportedly asked around 100 of its employees in China to consider relocating to other countries, according to Chinese state media. This move comes amidst worsening relations between Beijing and Washington, particularly regarding technologies like artificial intelligence and clean energy.

Most of the affected employees are involved in cloud computing and have been offered the chance to work in the United States, Australia, or Ireland, among other countries. The sudden decision has left many employees feeling uncertain about their future, as they have been given less than a month to make a decision.

This development is part of a broader tech war between the US and China, with both countries imposing restrictions on various technologies and exports. The Biden administration recently announced tariffs on Chinese imports, while China has retaliated by imposing its export restrictions. These ongoing tensions are likely to impact not just the tech industry but also the global economy as a whole.

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## Vocabulary List:

1. **Relocating** // (verb): To move to a new place or position.
2. **Artificial intelligence** // (noun): The theory and development of computer systems that can perform tasks that normally require human intelligence.
3. **Restrictions** // (noun): Limitations or control placed on something.
4. **Tariffs** // (noun): Taxes on goods coming into or leaving a country.
5. **Retaliated** // (verb): Responded to an action with a corresponding one.
6. **Export restrictions** // (noun): Rules or limitations on the export of goods from a country.

## Vocabulary quizzes

### Multiple Choice ( Select the Correct answer for each question. )

1. Which term refers to an action or choice done willingly without external influence?  
Option: Enterprise  
Option: Inflation  
Option: Voluntary  
Option: Confidence
2. What is the term used to describe a revival or comeback?  
Option: Artificial intelligence  
Option: Resurgence  
Option: Expertise  
Option: Coup
3. Which word best describes something that causes harm or damage?  
Option: Criteria  
Option: Detrimental  
Option: Valued  
Option: Retaliated
4. What are taxes on imported or exported goods called?  
Option: Outflow  
Option: Tariffs  
Option: Applauds  
Option: Sectors
5. Which term refers to the general increase in prices of goods and services?



- Option: Inflation
- Option: Applauds
- Option: Expertise
- Option: Restrictions

6. What is the feeling of trust or belief in someone or something called?

- Option: Confidence
- Option: Complements
- Option: Sentiment
- Option: Coup

7. What does ETF stand for in the financial context?

- Option: Enterprise Transfer Fund
- Option: Enterprise Trading Factor
- Option: Exchange Traded Fund
- Option: Executive Task Force

8. Which term represents the simulation of human intelligence processes by machines?

- Option: Resurgence
- Option: Voluntary
- Option: Artificial intelligence
- Option: Valued

9. What is skill or knowledge in a particular area known as?

- Option: Detrimental
- Option: Enterprise
- Option: Expertise
- Option: Retaliated

10. What term describes the limitations on goods leaving a country?

- Option: Applauds
- Option: Export restrictions
- Option: Confidence
- Option: Sectors

**Gap-Fill ( Fill in the blanks with the correct word from the vocabulary list. )**

11. The committee \_\_\_\_\_ the team for their outstanding performance.

12. To qualify for the scholarship students must meet specific \_\_\_\_\_ set by the



university.

13. The company is \_\_\_\_\_ its headquarters to a more central location.
14. The employee was highly \_\_\_\_\_ for his dedication and hard work.
15. The continuous \_\_\_\_\_ of funds from the business led to financial difficulties.
16. The market \_\_\_\_\_ was optimistic following the positive economic news.
17. The military staged a \_\_\_\_\_ to overthrow the government.
18. She started her own \_\_\_\_\_ at a young age and turned it into a successful business.
19. The government imposed new \_\_\_\_\_ on imported electronics to protect local manufacturers.
20. The stock market can be very \_\_\_\_\_ with prices fluctuating rapidly.

**Matching Sentences ( Match each definition to the correct word from the vocabulary list. )**



21. Goods and services brought into a country for sale are known as imports.
22. Treating people differently without a valid reason is considered unfair.
23. She took the initiative to start a recycling program in her community.
24. The selection criteria for the job position were clearly outlined in the job description.
25. The country retaliated by imposing tariffs on foreign goods in response to trade barriers.
26. The healthcare and technology sectors have seen significant growth in recent years.
27. It takes time to digest and understand complex financial information.
28. The new furniture perfectly complements the overall design of the room.
29. An ETF is an investment fund traded on stock exchanges.
30. The outflow of funds from the company led to liquidity problems.

## Answer

**Multiple Choice:** 1. Voluntary 2. Resurgence 3. Detrimental 4. Tariffs 5. Inflation 6. Confidence 7. Exchange Traded Fund 8. Artificial intelligence 9. Expertise 10. Export restrictions

**Gap-Fill:** 11. Applauds 12. Criteria 13. Relocating 14. Valued 15. Outflow 16. Sentiment 17. Coup 18. Enterprise 19. Tariffs 20. Volatile

**Matching sentence:** 1. Imports 2. Unfair 3. Initiative 4. Criteria 5. Retaliated 6. Sectors 7. Digest 8. Complements 9. ETF 10. Outflow

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