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-(Straitstimes 27/9) [Singapore envoy refutes China report on South China Sea:](#) Republic's Ambassador to China Stanley Loh said Singapore did not raise the South China Sea territorial dispute or a July arbitral tribunal ruling on the dispute at a recent multilateral summit in Venezuela

-(SCMP 26/9) [South China Sea fishing rights at top of Philippine president Duterte's agenda in Beijing:](#) Duterte might also push for more Chinese tourists to visit the Philippines, and China to relax curbs on imports of Philippine agriculture products

-(Philstar 26/9) [US concerned over Philippines' sea row agenda, says Yasay:](#) Duterte's government has been forging a foreign policy that is relatively distant from the US while cozying with China.

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