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Berlin zoo's twin panda cubs take first glimpse of the world



BERLIN BEARS. In this photo provided by Zoo Berlin on Friday, October 18, 2019, a person holds one of the zoo's panda twins in Berlin. Zoo Berlin's panda twins, born on August 31, 2019, opened their eyes for the first time. The panda pair — the first giant pandas born in Germany — are both developing well thanks to care from their mother, Meng Meng. (Zoo Berlin via AP)

BERLIN (AP) — A Berlin zoo says two panda cubs born in August opened their eyes to the world for the first time on October 18.

Zoo Berlin released pictures of the two cubs cautiously peering at the camera, six weeks after their birth.

Zoo director Andreas Knieriem said the

twins — the first giant pandas born in Germany — are both developing well thanks to care from their mother, Meng Meng.

She and father Jiao Qing came to Germany from China two years ago. There are fewer than 2,000 of the endangered pandas estimated alive in the wild today.

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