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Prime Minister and Finance Minister visiting the Bank of Thailand

Prime Minister Dr. Thaksin Shinawatra and Minister of Finance Dr. Somkid Jatusripitak paid an official visit to the Bank of Thailand (BOT) on 15 March 2001. In this occasion, BOT Governor M.R. Chatumongol Sonakul, BOT's senior executives and staff were on hand to welcome the two important visitors. During their short visit, the Prime Minister and the Finance Minister were briefed about the roles and responsibilities of the BOT by BOT Governor and senior executives.

BOT's senior executives briefed the Prime Minister and the Finance Minister about the BOT reorganization, its management change, and also other functions. The briefing also included the responsibility of the Monetary Policy Board (MPB), the responsibility of the Money Market Board, the supervision of and policy for financial institutions, the corporate debt restructuring, and also the new payment system of the country.

After the briefing session, the BOT Governor led the Prime Minister and the Finance Minister to BOT's security vault where the gold that is the national reserve and different kinds of bank notes are kept. Later on, the Prime Minister and the Finance Minister joined with BOT Governor and senior executives in a working lunch held at Bangkhunprom Palace. The Prime Minister and his delegation left BOT after lunch.

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