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### **The Operation of Bangkok International Banking Facilities (BIBF)**

Mr. Oubaur Kruthanooch, the Bank of Thailand (BOT) Deputy Spokesperson announced that the BIBF's lending continued to decline. At the end of February 2001, the outstanding loan was B411.9 billion, decreased by B118.4 billion or 22.3 percent compared to the same period last year. The main reason being the repayment of matured debt. The decrease of the Thai commercial banks' BIBF outstanding loan was B41.3 billion or 36.5 percent, compared to the previous year, accounting for the largest part of the reduction.

The Out-In and Out-Out outstanding loan stood at B369.2 billion and B42.8 billion, declined by B101.4 billion and B16.9 billion or 21.5 and 28.3 percent from February 2000, respectively.

At the end of February 2001, the business sector having the largest outstanding loan with the BIBF was the Manufacturing sector with the total loan of B212.6 billion, contributed to 51.6 percent of the total BIBF outstanding. This was followed by Public Utilities and Finance and Banking sectors having outstanding loans of B62 billion and B49.3 billion, respectively, contributed to 15.1 and 12 percent of the total BIBF outstanding loan.

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