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Bank of Thailand Expresses Full Support for the Decision of the People's Bank of China to Adopt a Managed-Float Exchange Rate Regime

Bank of Thailand welcomes and expresses our full support for the decision of the People's Bank of China to adopt a managed-float exchange rate regime. The increased flexibility comes at an opportune time and we believe that this move will be of great benefit to both China and the global economy.

The immediate market reactions are well within normal trading ranges. Most regional currencies have appreciated in line with the RMB adjustment. Following the announcement, at 20:00 hours the Thai Baht appreciated by 1.27 percent against the US dollar to 41.26 USD/THB.

Bank of Thailand will continue to monitor the financial markets closely.

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