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The Establishment of a Bilateral Local Currency Swap Agreement between the People's Bank of China and the Bank of Thailand

The People's Bank of China and the Bank of Thailand signed a bilateral local currency swap agreement in Bangkok, Thailand on December 22, 2011. The swap transaction provides a channel by which the central banks can have access to the local currency of the other party. This swap line will provide confidence to the private sectors on the availability of the local currency for the payment of trade and investment between the two countries.

An efficient local currency payment arrangement will provide an alternative choice of currency for firms and enterprises that are conducting business between the two countries.

The amount of the agreement is 70 billion Chinese Yuan or 320 billion Thai Baht. The effective period of the arrangement will be 3 years, and could be extended by agreement between the two parties.

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