

News Release

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Han Zheng Meets Chairman of Bangkok Bank and Witnesses TPN UnionPay Debit Card Issuance Ceremony

On 10 May – 11 May, 2016, a China Delegation, led by H.E. Han Zheng, Member of the Political Bureau of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China (CPC) and Secretary of the CPC Shanghai Municipal Committee visited Thailand. On 11 May, H.E. Han Zheng visited the headquarters of Bangkok Bank in Bangkok and met with Mr. Chatri Sophonpanich, Chairman of Bangkok Bank Public Company Limited (“BBL”), Mr. Chartsiri Sophonpanich, Executive Director and President of BBL, Ms. Ruchukorn Siriyodhin, Assistant Governor, Bank of Thailand and other senior executives of the Bank. After the meeting, H.E. Han Zheng attended and witnessed the Thai Payment Network (TPN) Debit Card Issuance Ceremony – jointly organized by BBL and UnionPay International.

Bangkok Bank is the largest commercial bank in Thailand. Its presence in China dates back to 1986 and it has already established its local subsidiary and Free Trade Zone Sub-branch in Shanghai. Mr. Chatri Sophonpanich warmly welcomed and expressed sincere gratitude to the China Delegation led by H.E. Han Zheng. Ms. Ruchukorn Siriyodhin introduced the outlook of Thailand’s economy and financial environment. Mr. Chartsiri Sophonpanich briefly introduced the history and development of BBL and its long-standing relationship with China. He mentioned that in the exciting times of “One Belt One Road” initiative, Bangkok Bank stands ready to serve as a connecting bridge and is dedicated to supporting Chinese investors in Southeast Asia region with all financial aspects. H.E. Han Zheng said that it was great for Chinese and Thai enterprises to make achievements through the open, mutually beneficial and win-win platform of “One Belt One Road” given the current situation. He also hoped that BBL and Chinese enterprises could conduct much closer cooperation in the future.

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Following the meeting, H.E. Han Zheng attended and witnessed the Thai Payment Network (TPN) Debit Card Issuance Ceremony held at the headquarters of Bangkok Bank. Be1st Smart TPN UnionPay is the first local Thai debit card issued under the UnionPay technology standard, which marks the milestone of Sino-Thai financial cooperation. Under the witness of VIPs from China and Thailand, Mr. Chartsiri Sophonpanich, Executive Director and President of BBL, along with Mr. Ge Huayong, Chairman of China UnionPay and Unionpay International and Mr. Shoke Na ranong, Executive Vice President of BBL and Chairman of Thai Payment Network Company Limited, launched the card issuance ceremony.

H.E. Ning Fukui, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the People's Republic of China to the Kingdom of Thailand, H.E. Chen Fengxiang, Vice Minister of International Department of the CPC Central Committee (IDCPC), H.E. Yin Hong, Member of the Standing Committee and Secretary General of the CPC Shanghai Municipal Committee, H.E. Zhou Bo, Vice Mayor of Shanghai Municipal Government and other distinguished guests also attended the activities.

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Han Zheng (Right) Meets Chairman of Bangkok Bank, Mr. Chatri Sophonpanich (Left)



TPN UnionPay Debit Card Issuance Ceremony