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Increase of repatriation threshold to 1 million US dollars

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Thailand (BOT) announced that the Ministry of Finance and the Bank of Thailand have relaxed foreign

exchange regulations to increase the threshold for proceeds that do not need to be repatriated to

USD 1,000,000 (a relaxation from the current threshold of USD 200,000). The relaxation includes not

only export proceeds but also other income as well.

For those with export proceeds exceeding or equal to the above new threshold of USD

1,000,000 will be allowed to use the revenues to offset foreign currency expenses, without having

to repatriate the funds. Exporters can simply register with the BOT and provide necessary

documentation to commercial banks, without prior approval from the BOT.

The above relaxation will help businesses reduce fund transfer costs and manage foreign

exchange risk more efficiently, especially for exporters as the new threshold accounts for

approximately 80 percent of all exports. In addition, the relaxation will also promote capital flow

balance and lessen pressure on the Thai baht. These relaxations will be effective on 2 March 2020

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