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**CHINA - CERTAIN MEASURES AFFECTING  
ELECTRONIC PAYMENT SERVICES**

**STATUS REPORT BY CHINA**

*Addendum*

The following communication, dated 11 July 2013, from the delegation of China to the Chairperson of the Dispute Settlement Body, is circulated pursuant to Article 21.6 of the DSU.

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Status Report Regarding Implementation of the  
DSB Recommendations and Rulings in the Dispute  
China – Certain Measures Affecting Electronic Payment Services  
(WT/DS413)

China submits this report in accordance with Article 21.6 of the *Understanding on Rules and Procedures Governing the Settlement of Disputes*.

At its meeting on 31 August 2012, the Dispute Settlement Body ("DSB") adopted the panel report on *China – Certain Measures Affecting Electronic Payment Services* (WT/DS413). On 28 September 2012, China informed the DSB of its intention to implement the recommendations and rulings of the DSB in connection with this matter.

On 22 November 2012, China and the United States informed the DSB that they had agreed that the reasonable period of time for China to implement the recommendations and rulings of the DSB shall be 11 months from the date of adoption of the panel report. Accordingly, the reasonable period of time will expire on 31 July 2013.

After adoption of the panel report by the DSB, the relevant Chinese government agencies began to actively work to implement the recommendations and rulings of the DSB. On 28 June 2013, five measures at issue in this dispute were repealed or invalidated by the People's Bank of China (PBOC Announcement [2013] No.7), including:

- *Circular of the People's Bank of China on Uniform Use of 'Yin Lian' Logo and its Holographic Label for Anti-counterfeiting* (Yin Fa [2001] No. 57),
- *Notice of the People's Bank of China in Relation to the Issuance of Business Practices for the Interoperable Service of Bank Cards and Appendix on Business Practices for the Interoperable Service of Bank Cards* (Yin Fa [2001] No. 76),
- *Guiding Opinions of the People's Bank of China on Regulating and Promoting the Development of Bank Card Acceptance Market* (Yin Fa [2005] 153),
- *Circular of the People's Bank of China on Promulgation of the "Opinions on Implementation of the Work in Bank Card Interoperability in 2001"* (Yin Fa [2001] No. 37), and

- *Circular of the People's Bank of China on Further Improving Bank Card Interoperability Related Work* (Yin Fa [2003] No.129).

On 5 July 2013, the People's Bank of China issued a notice on simplifying cross-border RMB business processes and improving relevant policies. According to the Notice, the relevant articles of the following three measures at issue in this dispute were announced not to be implemented anymore:

- *Announcement of the People's Bank of China on Providing Clearing Arrangements for Banks That Handle Personal RMB Deposit, Exchanges, Bank Cards and Remittance in Hong Kong* (PBOC Announcement [2003] No. 16),
- *Announcement of the People's Bank of China on Providing Clearing Arrangements for Banks That Handle Personal RMB Deposits, Exchanges, Bank Cards and Remittance in Macao* (PBOC Announcement [2004] No. 8), and
- *Circular on Relevant Issues Concerning the Operation of Individual RMB Business by Mainland Banks and Hong Kong/Macao Banks* (Yin Fa [2004] No. 254).

Although this dispute concerns a number of Chinese administrative measures on financial services and is embodied with more complexity and sensitivity than other disputes, China has made great efforts and fully implemented the recommendations and rulings of the DSB within the reasonable period of time.

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