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Bank of Japan

Renewal of Bilateral Swap Arrangement between Japan and the Philippines

Japan and the Philippines renewed the Bilateral Swap Arrangement (BSA) effective 1 January 2022.

The Bank of Japan, acting as agent for the Minister of Finance of Japan, and the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas signed the third Amendment and Restatement Agreement of the Third BSA. The BSA is a two-way arrangement where both authorities can swap their local currencies in exchange for the US Dollar. The arrangement also enables the Philippines to swap the Philippine Peso against the Japanese Yen. The size of the BSA remains unchanged, that is, up to 12 billion US Dollars or its equivalent in Japanese Yen for the Philippines, and 500 million US Dollars for Japan.

The renewed BSA incorporates amendments to align the BSA with the recent amendments to the Chiang Mai Initiative Multilateralisation (CMIM) Agreement.

Japan and the Philippines believe that the BSA, which aims to strengthen and complement other financial safety nets, will further deepen financial cooperation between the two countries and contribute to regional and global financial stability.