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Export-Import Bank of China (The) No.30, FuXingMenNei Street, XiCheng District, Beijing 100031, P.R.China

Attention:

Yang Cheng, Treasury Department

Re: The Export-Import Bank of China US\$27,000,000,000 Medium Term Notes Programme

Dear Mr. Yang Cheng:

Pursuant to your request for a rating on the above-referenced securities, S&P Global Rating has assigned a foreign currency long term issue credit rating of "A+", foreign currency short term issue credit rating of "A-1"; local currency long term issue credit rating of "A+" and local currency short term issue credit rating of "A-1".

This letter assumes that the final documentation for the above-referenced issue[s] will not materially differ from the latest version we received. Please send us a clean copy of the executed documentation, and if applicable a marked copy showing any changes that were made, as soon as available.

The above preliminary rating[s] is/are based on financial information and documents we received prior to the issuance of this letter. Subsequent information or changes in criteria may result in the assignment of [a] final rating[s] that differs from the above preliminary rating[s]. In the event that we do not receive final papers within a reasonable amount of time, we reserve the right to withdraw our preliminary rating[s].

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# Rating Action: Moody's affirms the Export-Import Bank of China's A1 senior unsecured debt rating

# 17 Dec 2021

Hong Kong, December 17, 2021 – Moody's Investors Service has affirmed the A1 long-term foreign currency senior unsecured debt ratings of The Export-Import Bank of China (CEXIM) and CEXIM, Paris Branch. At the same time, Moody's has affirmed the (P)A1 foreign currency senior unsecured medium-term note (MTN) program ratings and assigned the (P)A1 local currency senior unsecured MTN program ratings for CEXIM and CEXIM, Paris Branch.

The entity-level outlooks on CEXIM and CEXIM, Paris Branch remain stable, in line with the outlook on the issuer rating of the Chinese government, reflecting Moody's view that the very close links between the bank's credit quality and that of the government will remain broadly unchanged over the next 12-18 months. At the same time, Moody's has withdrawn outlooks on the ratings of senior unsecured debts issued by CEXIM and CEXIM, Paris Branch. It is Moody's current practice not to assign instrument level outlooks for financial entities other than those rated under the Banks Methodology.

A list of all affected ratings and assessments is at the end of this press release.

## **RATINGS RATIONALE**

CEXIM's A1 senior unsecured debt rating of is in line with the senior unsecured debt rating of the Government of China (A1 stable). The very close links between the bank's credit quality and that of the government underpin its rating.

China's State Council has assigned CEXIM a policy finance role of supporting economic growth and structural adjustments in the export-import sector, implying a prolonged alignment of interests and objectives between the bank and the government. In November 2016, the Chinese State Council amended the bank's articles of association, reaffirming CEXIM as a policy bank and its issued bonds as policy financial bonds, with the government pledging credit support.

The government fully owns CEXIM, directly and indirectly. As a development bank under the leadership of the State Council, CEXIM has no share capital listed. No entity other than the government has or can obtain a direct or indirect ownership interest or equity participation in the bank.

CEXIM functions under the strong control and directives of the government, with its operations and finances inextricably intertwined with those of the government.

# FACTORS THAT COULD LEAD TO AN UPGRADE OR DOWNGRADE OF THE RATINGS

Moody's could upgrade CEXIM's rating if the Government of China's senior unsecured debt rating is upgraded; and if support to the bank remains a government priority, despite the bank's ongoing reforms.

Conversely, Moody's could downgrade CEXIM's if the Government of China's senior unsecured debt rating is downgraded; changes in the bank's policy role diminish its strategic importance to the government; or if the government substantially reduces its ownership in the bank.

# PRINCIPAL METHODOLOGY

The principal methodology used in these ratings was Government-Related Issuers Methodology published in February 2020 and available at https://www.moodys.com/researchdocumentcontentpage.aspx? docid=PBC\_1186207. Alternatively, please see the Rating Methodologies page on www.moodys.com for a copy of this methodology.

Established in 1994, The Export-Import Bank of China is a policy bank wholly owned by the Chinese government, directly and indirectly. Headquartered in Beijing, the bank reported total assets of RMB5,044 billion and total equity of RMB319 billion as of the end of 2020.

# LIST OF AFFECTED RATINGS

## EXPORT-IMPORT BANK OF CHINA (THE)

Long-term foreign currency senior unsecured debt rating affirmed at A1, outlook withdrawn, previously stable

Long-term foreign currency senior unsecured MTN program rating affirmed at (P)A1

Long-term local currency senior unsecured MTN program rating assigned at (P)A1

Entity-level outlook remains stable

# EXPORT-IMPORT BANK OF CHINA (THE), PARIS BRANCH

Long-term foreign currency senior unsecured debt rating affirmed at A1, outlook withdrawn, previously stable

Long-term foreign currency senior unsecured MTN program rating affirmed at (P)A1

Long-term local currency senior unsecured MTN program rating assigned at (P)A1

Entity-level outlook remains stable

The local market analyst for these ratings is Nicholas Zhu, +86 (10) 6319-6536.

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For further specification of Moody's key rating assumptions and sensitivity analysis, see the sections Methodology Assumptions and Sensitivity to Assumptions in the disclosure form. Moody's Rating Symbols and Definitions can be found at: https://www.moodys.com/researchdocumentcontentpage.aspx? docid=PBC 79004.

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