



## Weekly China Briefing

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### China starts construction of housing project in Angola's capital

A Chinese construction company, China Nantong Holding Corporation, has started construction of a US\$ 300 million housing project for Angola's Ministry of Defence, to mark the 33rd anniversary of the country's Independence Day. [Read More](#)



### Sinopec to Cut Refining 10% From July as Demand Drops

China Petroleum and Chemical Corp., Asia's biggest oil refiner, will reduce crude processing by 10% in November from July's record, as the nation's economic slowdown cuts fuel demand. [Read More](#)

### Direct flights between Luanda and Beijing begin next weekend

Angolan airline Taag is due next weekend to start regular flights from Luanda to Beijing, in order to attract the increasing number of travellers between the two capitals, an Angolan diplomatic source said in Beijing. [Read More](#)



### Ghanaian Government and Chinese company partner in large scale fish farming

The government in collaboration with a Chinese company is investing in large scale fish farming in the Western Region. The Minister of Fisheries Mrs Gladys said over 2,000 acres of land have been acquired at Asemasa near Beposo to start the project. [Read More](#)

### Soroti Lira road in Uganda to be upgraded

Works and transport minister John Nasasira has launched a sh50 billion project to upgrade and tarmac the Soroti-Lira road. Nasasira said the Government had borrowed the money to implement the project from the World Bank and that it would be repaid in 40 years. A Chinese company, China Road and Bridge Construction, was awarded the contract. [Read More](#)



### Chinese company to finish bridge of river Cunene in January

According to China Roads and Bridges Corporation (CBRC) construction of the bridge over the river Cunene, in the Ombadja municipality, may be concluded in January of 2009. The project that is expected to cost US\$ 30 million was granted to CRBC in September 2006, and was scheduled to be built over 18 months. [Read More](#)

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