



## Weekly China Briefing

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### China's ZTE takes on operational management of Movitel



China's ZTE Corp is due to take on the management of mobile phone carrier Movitel. The change in management is the start of a partial privatisation of 80 % of the mobile operator, under the

terms of an executive decree. Movitel, which has been in the Angolan market since 2003, was the first company to offer the advantages and benefits of mobile telephony in the East African country [Read More](#)

### Minister solicits Chinese support for small-scale industries

Mr Kwadwo Afram Asiedu, Eastern Regional Minister, has enlisted the support of China in building the capacity of Small-Scale Enterprises in the area to enable them to become sustainable businesses and generate much needed employment. The Minister made the appeal during a discussion with the Chinese Ambassador to Ghana, Mr. Yu Wenzhe. [Read More](#)

### New International Luanda Airport to be concluded in 2010



The new International Luanda Airport will be built by China International Fund Limited. It is to be located 30 kilometres from the Angolan capital and due for completion in 2010.

The airport will cover an area of 5,000 hectares and have two double runways, with the capacity to receive the world's largest commercial airliner- the Airbus A380. Construction will also include a passenger terminal for national and international flights, a control tower and several hotels. [Read More](#)

### Sekoko China Railway May Build US\$ 3.8 Billion Power Plant

Sekoko Energy, a venture between Sekoko Resources Ltd. and China Railway Construction Corp, may build a power plant for as much as US\$ 3.8 billion in South Africa to help end the country's energy shortage. Sekoko Energy will be controlled by Sekoko Resources, a South Africa-based company led by Black investors. Sekoko Energy will submit a bid to state-run power utility Eskom Holdings Ltd. for up to three 600-megawatt coal-fired generating units. The first unit could start producing power 36 months after the approval date. [Read More](#)

### China donates 200 computers to TANROADS

The Tanzania National Roads Agency received a donation of 200 sets of computers from the People's Republic of China. The Chief Executive for TANROADS, Mr Ephraem Mrema, said the aim of the donation was to facilitate the implementation of local area networks. The computers will improve operations and greatly enhance performance said Mr Mrema. He also called on the public to honour and recognise contributions made by various donors including the people of China. [Read More](#)



### Huawei 'to make US\$ 2 billion in Africa'

Telecommunications network firm Huawei said that it expects to make a turnover of US\$ 2 billion in Africa during 2008, as well as open a training centre for professionals in Angola. Chief Operating Officer Bo Xue said that next-generation skills could therefore be transferred to help overcome the skills shortage in the continent. [Read More](#)

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