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against shocks. Policy recommendations include accumulating reserves, strengthening securities markets, enhancing banking supervision, and

maintaining a flexible exchange rate.