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...After Premier Li Keqiang had a talk with British Prime Minister David Cameron on December 2, they both witnessed the signing of 10 cooperation documents between the two countries on investment, technological innovation, finance, justice, culture and health, etc. State Intellectual Property Office (SIPO) and UK Intellectual Property Office (UKIPO) signed the Joint Statement on Pilot Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH) Program. It is learnt that Sino-UK PPH pilot program will kick off on July 1, 2014. So far, British enterprises in China have submitted 24221 invention patent applications. From January to October this year, British enterprises in China have submitted over 1500 patent applications.

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...On December 18, the Opinions of the State Intellectual Property Office on Further Improving the Quality of Patent Application were issued. The Opinions proposed that, on the basis of playing the leading role of the indicator of "patents owned per ten thousand people", more indicators will be incorporated into the regional patent work evaluation indicator system. As to the patent funding policy,

the Opinions put forward that the general patent funding policy shall be targeted at supporting the small and the weak; and the special patent funding policy shall be targeted at supporting the excellent. On the basis of improving the output and performance, the local regions shall be promoted to input more fund and gradually transfer the support priorities from general funding to special funding. In addition, to fully play the incentive and guiding role of the patent rewarding policy, the Opinions also put forward that the patent rights and inventors who have made outstanding contribution to technological innovation and patent technology industrialization shall be rewarded.

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