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budgétaires à moyen terme en regard de la dotation fixée par la nouvelle loi spéciale de financement. - Recherche mandatée par Commission Communautaire Commune de la Région de Bruxelles Capitale, 2017.

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Guangyan Liu, Chinese, *Enhancing the Scope of the springboard perspective:: A longitudinal process analysis of capability-upgrading of Chinese firms in Belgium.*

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