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CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF THE EUROSYSTEM as at 23 July 1999

I. Items not related to monetary policy operations

In the week ending 23 July 1999 the net position of the Eurosystem in foreign currency (asset items 2 and 3 minus liability items 6, 7 and 8) increased by EUR 0.4 billion to EUR 242 billion.

The holdings by the Eurosystem of marketable securities of euro area residents denominated in euro (asset item 6) increased by EUR 0.3 billion to EUR 26 billion. Banknotes in circulation (liability item 1) decreased by EUR 1.8 billion to EUR 342.6 billion. Liabilities to general government (liability item 4.1) increased by EUR 8.4 billion to EUR 57.2 billion.

II. Items related to monetary policy operations

The Eurosystem's net lending to its counterparties in the financial sector (asset item 5 minus liability items 2.2, 2.3, 2.4, 2.5 and 3) decreased by EUR 1.3 billion to EUR 182.2 billion. On Wednesday 21 July 1999 a main refinancing operation of EUR 95 billion matured and a new one of EUR 94 billion was settled.

Recourse to the **marginal lending facility** (asset item 5.5) increased by EUR 1.5 billion to EUR 1.6 billion. Recourse to the **deposit facility** (liability item 2.2) increased by EUR 1.7 billion to EUR 1.8 billion.

III. Current accounts of the euro area financial sector

As a result of all transactions, the **current account** position of counterparties with the Eurosystem (liability item 2.1) decreased by EUR 12.1 billion to EUR 92.4 billion.

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Consolidated weekly financial statement of the Eurosystem as at 23 July 1999 (EUR millions)

Assets	Balance as at 23 July 1999	Difference compared to last week due to transactions	Liabilities	Balance as at 23 July 1999	Difference compared to last week due to transactions
1 Gold and gold receivables	101,754	1	1 Banknotes in circulation	342,580	-1,825
Claims on non-euro area residents denominated in foreign currency 1.1 Receivables from the IMF 2.2 Balances with banks and security investments, external loans and other external assets	29,377 217,728	-146 1,418	Liabilities to euro area financial sector counterparties denominated in euro Courrent accounts (covering the minimum reserve system) Deposit facility	92,351 1,788	-12,148 1,720
	247,105	1,272	2.3 Fixed-term deposits 2.4 Fine-tuning reverse operations	0	0
3 Claims on euro area residents denominated in foreign currency	11,717	-627	2.5 Deposits related to margin calls	12 94,151	-7 -10,435
Claims on non-euro area residents denominated in euro A.1 Balances with banks, security investments			3 Debt certificates issued	10,158	0
and loans	4,364	224	4 Liabilities to other euro area residents denominated in euro		
4.2 Claims arising from the credit facility under		_	4.1 General government	57,192	8,427
the ERM II	0	0	4.2 Other liabilities	3,980	617
	4,364	224		61,172	9,044
5 Lending to financial sector counterparties of euro area			5 Liabilities to non-euro area residents denominated in euro	7,265	341
5.1 Main refinancing operations	146,956	-1,109			
5.2 Longer-term refinancing operations	45,001	0	6 Liabilities to euro area residents denominated in		
5.3 Fine-tuning reverse operations	0	0	foreign currency	716	-25
5.4 Structural reverse operations	0	0			
5.5 Marginal lending facility	1,562	1,454	7 Liabilities to non-euro area residents denominated in		
5.6 Credits related to margin calls	156 463	23 2	foreign currency 7.1 Deposits, balances and other liabilities	0.004	313
5.7 Other lending	194,138	2 370	7.1 Deposits, barances and other liabilities 7.2 Liabilities arising from the credit facility under	9,924	3/3
	194,136	370	the ERM II	0	0
6 Securities of euro area residents denominated			THE LIXIVI II	9,924	313
in euro	26,009	309		3,324	3/3
	20,000		8 Counterpart of special drawing rights allocated by the IMF	6,192	0
7 General government debt denominated in euro	60,156	0			
O. Other courts	70.000	4.000	9 Other liabilities	53,997	2,900
8 Other assets	76,639	-1,236	10 Revaluation accounts	82,510	0
			11 Capital and reserves	53,217	0
Total assets	721,882	313	Total liabilities	721,882	313

Totals/sub-totals may not add up, due to rounding.