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CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF THE EUROSYSTEM as at 12 January 2001

I. Items not related to monetary policy operations

In the week ending 12 January 2001 the net position of the Eurosystem in foreign currency (asset items 2 and 3 minus liability items 7, 8 and 9) decreased by EUR 1.1 billion to EUR 260.3 billion on account of customer and portfolio transactions conducted by national central banks.

The decrease in the holding of Gold (asset item I) by the Eurosystem relates to an end-of-year adjustment to the valuation of a holding by one national central bank.

The holdings by the Eurosystem of marketable securities of euro area residents denominated in euro (asset item 7) increased by EUR 0.4 billion to EUR 29.2 billion. Banknotes in circulation (liability item I) decreased by EUR 7.1 billion to EUR 365.7 billion. Liabilities to general government (liability item 5.1) decreased by EUR 0.3 billion to EUR 51 billion.

II. Items related to monetary policy operations

The Eurosystem's net lending to its credit institutions (asset item 5 minus liability items 2.2,

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2.3, 2.4, 2.5 and 4) decreased by EUR 7.1 billion to EUR 237.2 billion. On Wednesday,

10 January 2001 a main refinancing operation of EUR 102 billion matured and a new one

of EUR 95 billion was settled.

Recourse to the marginal lending facility (asset item 5.5) was virtually nil (compared with

EUR 0.1 billion in the previous week), while recourse to the deposit facility (liability

item 2.2) was EUR 0.1 billion, which was approximately the same as in the preceding week.

III. Current accounts of euro area credit institutions

As a result of all transactions, the current account position of credit institutions with the

Eurosystem (liability item 2.1) decreased by EUR 0.2 billion to EUR 117 billion.

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Consolidated weekly financial statement of the Eurosystem as at 12 January 2001

Assets	Balance as at	Difference compared	Liabilities	Balance as at	Difference compared
	12 January 2001	to last week due to		12 January 2001	to last week due to
		transactions			transactions
1 Gold and gold receivables	118,611	-4	1 Banknotes in circulation	365,730	-7,104
			2 Liabilities to euro area credit institutions related to monetary policy operations		
2 Claims on non-euro area residents denominated in foreign currency			denominated in euro		
2.1 Receivables from the IMF	26,783	-219	2.1 Current accounts		
2.2 Balances with banks and security investments,			(covering the minimum reserve system)	116,997	-244
external loans and other external assets	238,951	-1,613	2.2 Deposit facility	70	-4
	265,734	-1,832	2.3 Fixed-term deposits	0	0
			2.4 Fine-tuning reverse operations	0	-
3 Claims on euro area residents denominated in foreign currency	18,826	1,210	2.5 Deposits related to margin calls	52	40
				117,119	-208
4 Claims on non-euro area residents denominated in euro					
4.1 Balances with banks, security investments and loans	4,365		3 Other liabilities to euro area credit institutions denominated in euro	8,234	555
4.2 Claims arising from the credit facility under ERM II	•	U	4 Debt certificates issued	0.704	•
	4,365	-844	4 Debt certificates issued	3,784	0
5 Lending to euro area credit institutions related to monetary policy operations					
denominated in euro			5 Liabilities to other euro area residents denominated in euro		
	196.000	-6,986		50.948	-253
5.1 Main refinancing operations5.2 Longer-term refinancing operations	45,000		5.1 General government 5.2 Other liabilities	50,948	-253 -321
	45,000		5.2 Other liabilities	56,759	-321 - 574
5.3 Fine-tuning reverse operations5.4 Structural reverse operations	0			56,759	-374
5.5 Marginal lending facility	10		6 Liabilities to non-euro area residents denominated in euro	10,870	-845
5.6 Credits related to margin calls	50		C Liabilities to non-euro area residents denominated in euro	10,070	-643
3.0 Credits related to margin cans	241,060		7 Liabilities to euro area residents denominated in foreign currency	5,655	-178
6 Other claims on euro area credit institutions denominated in euro	1,304	499	Liabilities to non-euro area residents denominated in foreign currency		
	,		8.1 Deposits, balances and other liabilities	11,476	698
7 Securities of euro area residents denominated in euro	29,221	362	8.2 Liabilities arising from the credit facility under ERM II	0	0
			,	11,476	698
8 General government debt denominated in euro	69,375	0			
			Counterpart of special drawing rights allocated by the IMF	7,168	0
9 Other assets	88,286	686	10 Other liabilities	76.415	228
			10 Other habilities	76,415	228
			11 Revaluation accounts	119,144	392
			12 Capital and reserves	54,428	67
Total assets	836,782	-6,969	Total liabilities	836,782	-6,969

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