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CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF THE EUROSYSTEM as at 16 November 2001

I. Items not related to monetary policy operations

In the week ending 16 November 2001 the net position of the Eurosystem in foreign currency (asset items 2 and 3 minus liability items 7, 8 and 9) increased by EUR 0.1 billion to EUR 256.5 billion on account of customer and portfolio transactions.

The holdings by the Eurosystem of marketable securities of euro area residents denominated in euro (asset item 7) decreased by EUR 0.3 billion to EUR 28.2 billion.

Banknotes in circulation (liability item I) decreased by EUR 5.9 billion to EUR 306.8 billion. Liabilities to general government (liability item 5.1) increased by EUR 4.3 billion to EUR 45.8 billion.

II. Items related to monetary policy operations

The Eurosystem's net lending to credit institutions (asset item 5 minus liability items 2.2, 2.3, 2.4, 2.5 and 4) increased by EUR 49.9 billion to EUR 211.5 billion. On Wednesday, 14 November 2001, a main refinancing operation of EUR 66 billion matured, while a new one of EUR 116 billion was settled.

Recourse to the **marginal lending facility** (asset item 5.5) was EUR 0.4 billion (compared with EUR 0.2 billion in the previous week), while recourse to the **deposit facility** (liability item 2.2) was EUR 0.3 billion (compared with EUR 0.1 billion 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) increased by EUR 46.2 billion to EUR 149.8 billion.

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Consolidated weekly financial statement of the Eurosystem as at 16 November 2001 (EUR millions)

Assets	Balance as at 16 November 2001	Difference compared to last week due to transactions	Liabilities	Balance as at 16 November 2001	Difference compared to last week due to transactions
1 Gold and gold receivables	128,233	o	1 Banknotes in circulation	306,770	-5,872
Claims on non-euro area residents denominated in foreign currency			Liabilities to euro area credit institutions related to monetary policy operations denominated in euro		
2.1 Receivables from the IMF	31,077	68	2.1 Current accounts		
2.2 Balances with banks and security investments,			(covering the minimum reserve system)	149,826	
external loans and other external assets	231,546	413	2.2 Deposit facility	311	
	262,623	481	2.3 Fixed-term deposits	0	•
			2.4 Fine-tuning reverse operations	0	
3 Claims on euro area residents denominated in foreign currency	21,311	-621	2.5 Deposits related to margin calls	19	
				150,156	46,469
4 Claims on non-euro area residents denominated in euro					
4.1 Balances with banks, security investments and loans	5,942		Other liabilities to euro area credit institutions denominated in euro	12,969	3,804
4.2 Claims arising from the credit facility under ERM II	0	0			
	5,942	47	4 Debt certificates issued	2,939	0
5 Lending to euro area credit institutions related to monetary policy operations					
denominated in euro			E Linkillian to other consequents described in cons		
	454.000	50.004	5 Liabilities to other euro area residents denominated in euro	45.040	4.004
5.1 Main refinancing operations	154,369	50,001	5.1 General government	45,812	, -
5.2 Longer-term refinancing operations	60,001	0	5.2 Other liabilities	5,945	
5.3 Fine-tuning reverse operations	0	0		51,757	4,435
5.4 Structural reverse operations	0	0			
5.5 Marginal lending facility	393	165	6 Liabilities to non-euro area residents denominated in euro	8,676	-35
5.6 Credits related to margin calls	20	-4			
	214,783	50,162	7 Liabilities to euro area residents denominated in foreign currency	2,429	-4
6 Other claims on euro area credit institutions denominated in euro	399	-59	8 Liabilities to non-euro area residents denominated in foreign currency		
			8.1 Deposits, balances and other liabilities	18,082	-273
7 Securities of euro area residents denominated in euro	28,203	-261	8.2 Liabilities arising from the credit facility under ERM II	0	0
				18,082	-273
8 General government debt denominated in euro	70,085	0			
			Counterpart of special drawing rights allocated by the IMF	6,889	0
9 Other assets	89,923	-229	10 Other liabilities	75 202	000
			10 Other liabilities	75,393	996
			11 Revaluation accounts	124,991	0
			12 Capital and reserves	60,453	0
otal assets	821,504	49,520	Total liabilities	821,504	49,520

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