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CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF THE EUROSYSTEM AS AT 5 MARCH 2010

Items not related to monetary policy operations

In the week ending 5 March 2010 **gold and gold receivables** (asset item 1) remained unchanged.

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 160.8 billion on account of customer and portfolio transactions.

The holdings by the Eurosystem of securities other than those held for monetary policy purposes (asset item 7.2) remained unchanged. Banknotes in circulation (liability item 1) increased by EUR 4.1 billion to EUR 788.4 billion. Liabilities to general government (liability item 5.1) decreased by EUR 24.9 billion to EUR 101.3 billion.

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) decreased by EUR 59.1 billion to EUR 465.2 billion. On Wednesday, 3 March 2010 a **main refinancing operation** of EUR 81.4 billion matured and a new one of EUR 80.5 billion was settled.

Recourse to the **marginal lending facility** (asset item 5.5) was EUR 0.1 billion (compared with EUR 0.2 billion in the previous week), while recourse to the **deposit facility** (liability item 2.2) was EUR 259.8 billion (compared with EUR 202.7 billion in the preceding week).

The holdings by the Eurosystem of **securities held for monetary policy purposes** (asset item 7.1) increased by EUR 0.9 billion to EUR 39.6 billion in the week ending 5 March 2010.

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 35.9 billion to EUR 164.0 billion.

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Consolidated financial statement of the Eurosystem - 09/03/2010

Assets (EUR millions)	Balance	Difference compared with last week due to transactions	Liabilities (EUR millions)	Balance	Difference compared with last week due to transactions
1 Gold and gold receivables	266,919	0	1 Banknotes in circulation	788,372	4,085
2 Claims on non-euro area residents denominated in foreign currency	197,509		Liabilities to euro area credit institutions related to monetary policy operations denominated in euro	423,724	21,227
2.1 Receivables from the IMF 2.2 Balances with banks and security investments, external loans and other external assets	64,365 133,145			163,966 259,758	
3 Claims on euro area residents denominated in foreign currency	27,755	-510	2.3 Fixed-term deposits2.4 Fine-tuning reverse operations2.5 Deposits related to margin calls	C C 1	0
4 Claims on non-euro area residents denominated in euro 4.1 Balances with banks, security	16,123 16,123		3 Other liabilities to euro area credit institutions denominated in euro	399	-171
investments and loans 4.2 Claims arising from the credit facility under ERM II	C	0	4 Debt certificates issued 5 Liabilities to other euro area residents	109,542	
5 Lending to euro area credit institutions related to monetary policy operations denominated in euro	724,920	-1,990	denominated in euro 5.1 General government 5.2 Other liabilities	101,304 8,238	
5.1 Main refinancing operations5.2 Longer-term refinancing operations5.3 Fine-tuning reverse operations	80,455 644,378	-302	6 Liabilities to non-euro area residents denominated in euro	39,812	-692
5.4 Structural reverse operations5.5 Marginal lending facility5.6 Credits related to margin calls	59 27	-119	7 Liabilities to euro area residents denominated in foreign currency	1,811	-50
6 Other claims on euro area credit institutions denominated in euro	26,403	-321	8 Liabilities to non-euro area residents denominated in foreign currency 8.1 Deposits, balances and other liabilities	11,398 11,398	
7 Securities of euro area residents denominated in euro	336,678	882	8.2 Liabilities arising from the credit facility under ERM II	C	0
7.1 Securities held for monetary policy purposes7.2 Other securities	39,625 297,052		9 Counterpart of special drawing rights allocated by the IMF	51,249	0

Total assets	1,890,311	1,294	Totals/sub-totals may not add up, due to roo	unding	
			Total liabilities	1,890,311	1,294
	·		12 Capital and reserves	74,965	C
9 Other assets	257,867	2,539	11 Revaluation accounts	220,213	C
8 General government debt denominated in euro	36,137	16	10 Other liabilities	168,826	2,307