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CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF THE EUROSYSTEM as at 19 November 1999

I. Items not related to monetary policy operations

In the week ending 19 November 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 0.2 billion to EUR 237 billion.

The holdings by the Eurosystem of marketable securities of euro area residents denominated in euro (asset item 6) increased by EUR 0.2 billion to EUR 24.1 billion. Banknotes in circulation (liability item 1) decreased by EUR 2.1 billion to EUR 342.5 billion. Liabilities to general government (liability item 4.1) decreased by EUR 4.2 billion to EUR 52.9 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) increased by EUR 1.9 billion to EUR 190.1 billion. On Wednesday 17 November 1999 a **main refinancing operation** of EUR 66 billion matured and a new one of EUR 69 billion was settled.

Recourse to the **marginal lending facility** (asset item 5.5) decreased by EUR 0.2 billion to EUR 0.1 billion. Recourse to the **deposit facility** (liability item 2.2) increased by EUR 0.7 billion to EUR 0.7 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) increased by EUR 7.9 billion to EUR 106.1 billion.

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Consolidated weekly financial statement of the Eurosystem as at 19 November 1999 (EUR millions)

Assets	Balance as at 19 November 1999	Difference compared to last week due to transactions	Liabilities	Balance as at 19 November 1999	Difference compared to last week due to transactions
1 Gold and gold receivables	114,988	o	1 Banknotes in circulation	342,495	-2,061
Claims on non-euro area residents denominated in foreign currency			Liabilities to euro area financial sector counterparties denominated in euro		
Receivables from the IMF Balances with banks and security investments,	27,828	52	2.1 Current accounts (covering the minimum reserve system)	106.052	7,844
external loans and other external assets	212,521	1,680	2.2 Deposit facility	748	727
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	-,-	, -	2.4 Fine-tuning reverse operations	0	0
3 Claims on euro area residents denominated in foreign			2.5 Deposits related to margin calls	71	20
currency	13,229	-520		106,871	8,591
Claims on non-euro area residents denominated in euro A.1 Balances with banks, security investments			3 Debt certificates issued	7,876	0
and loans	5,313	-23	4 Liabilities to other euro area residents denominated in euro		
4.2 Claims arising from the credit facility under	0,010	20	4.1 General government	52,917	-4.198
the ERM II	0	0	4.2 Other liabilities	4,057	-85
	5,313	-23	1.2 Otto nasmico	56,974	-4,283
5 Lending to financial sector counterparties of euro area			5 Liabilities to non-euro area residents denominated in euro	7,339	196
5.1 Main refinancing operations	143,029	2,918		1,000	700
5.2 Longer-term refinancing operations	54,995	0	6 Liabilities to euro area residents denominated in		
5.3 Fine-tuning reverse operations	0	0	foreign currency	874	-112
5.4 Structural reverse operations	0	0			
5.5 Marginal lending facility	72	-230	7 Liabilities to non-euro area residents denominated in		
5.6 Credits related to margin calls	43	-52	foreign currency		
5.7 Other lending	682	-8	7.1 Deposits, balances and other liabilities	9,504	1,141
	198,821	2,628	7.2 Liabilities arising from the credit facility under		
			the ERM II	0	0
6 Securities of euro area residents denominated				9,504	1,141
in euro	24,123	267	9. Counterport of appoint drought sights allocated but to 1845	0.000	•
7 General government debt denominated in euro	60,121	0	8 Counterpart of special drawing rights allocated by the IMF	6,229	0
7 General government debt denominated in edio	00,121	Ü	9 Other liabilities	53,566	-2,526
8 Other assets	77,851	-3,137	Carol nabilities	33,300	-2,020
	,001	2,.27	10 Revaluation accounts	89,835	0
			11 Capital and reserves	53,232	1
Total assets	734,795	947	Total liabilities	734,795	947

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