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# CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF THE EUROSYSTEM as at 14 February 2003

#### I. Items not related to monetary policy operations

In the week ending 14 February 2003 the decrease of EUR 1 million in **gold and gold receivables** (asset item 1) corresponded to a sale of gold coins by a national central bank of the Eurosystem.

In the same week, the net position of the Eurosystem in foreign currency (asset items 2 and 3 minus liability items 7, 8 and 9) decreased by EUR 1.2 billion to EUR 224.6 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) increased by EUR I billion to EUR 31.7 billion. Banknotes in circulation (liability item I) rose by EUR 0.1 billion to EUR 342.9 billion. Liabilities to general government (liability item 5.1) decreased by EUR 0.7 billion to EUR 46.5 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) decreased by EUR 7.9 billion to EUR 204.1 billion. On Wednesday, 12 February 2003, a main refinancing operation of EUR 83 billion matured and a new one of EUR 75 billion was settled.

Recourse to both the **marginal lending facility** (asset item 5.5) and the **deposit facility** (liability item 2.2) was EUR 0.1 billion (compared with virtually nil in the previous 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 5.2 billion to EUR 127.9 billion.

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## Consolidated weekly financial statement of the Eurosystem as at 14 February 2003 (EUR millions)

ssets	Balance as at	Difference compared	Liabilities	Balance as at	Difference compared
	14 February 2003	to last week due to		14 February 2003	to last week due to
	·	transactions		·	transactions
1 Gold and gold receivables	130,640	-1	1 Banknotes in circulation	342,890	109
			2 Liabilities to euro area credit institutions related to monetary policy operations		
Claims on non-euro area residents denominated in foreign currency			denominated in euro		
2.1 Receivables from the IMF	31,200	55	2.1 Current accounts		
2.2 Balances with banks and security investments,			(covering the minimum reserve system)	127,947	-5,214
external loans and other external assets	198,622	-1,671	2.2 Deposit facility	59	26
	229,822	-1,616	2.3 Fixed-term deposits	0	0
			2.4 Fine-tuning reverse operations	0	-
3 Claims on euro area residents denominated in foreign currency	17,331	-167	2.5 Deposits related to margin calls	0	•
4 Claims on non-euro area residents denominated in euro				128,006	-5,188
4.1 Balances with banks, security investments and loans	5,690	385	3 Other liabilities to euro area credit institutions denominated in euro	61	-1
4.2 Claims arising from the credit facility under ERM II	0	0			
	5,690	385	4 Debt certificates issued	2,029	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		
5.1 Main refinancing operations	161,000	-8,000	5.1 General government	46,509	-701
5.2 Longer-term refinancing operations	45,000	0	5.2 Other liabilities	4,829	-158
5.3 Fine-tuning reverse operations	0	0		51,338	-859
5.4 Structural reverse operations	0	0			
5.5 Marginal lending facility	110	107	6 Liabilities to non-euro area residents denominated in euro	8,543	70
5.6 Credits related to margin calls	45	29			
	206,155	-7,864	7 Liabilities to euro area residents denominated in foreign currency	1,017	0
6 Other claims on euro area credit institutions denominated in euro	326	-4	8 Liabilities to non-euro area residents denominated in foreign currency		
			8.1 Deposits, balances and other liabilities	15,195	-581
7 Securities of euro area residents denominated in euro	31,685	1,010	8.2 Liabilities arising from the credit facility under ERM II	0	0
8 General government debt denominated in euro	44,355	-81		15,195	-581
•	•		9 Counterpart of special drawing rights allocated by the IMF	6,339	0
9 Other assets	109,365	1,664	10 Other liabilities	72,734	-522
			11 Revaluation accounts	82,848	0
			12 Capital and reserves	64,370	298
otal assets	775,370	-6,674	Total liabilities	775,370	-6,674

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