

CONDENSED BALANCE SHEET
BANK VAN DE NEDERLANDSE ANTILLEN
(Central Bank)

The condensed balance sheet of the Bank van de Nederlandse Antillen (Central Bank) for the month of August 2001 is presented below:

| Condensed Balance Sheet | | | | | |
|------------------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------|------------------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------|
| (millions of NAf.) | | | | | |
| | Diff. compared with | | | Diff. compared with | |
| Assets | 08-31- 01 | 07-31- 01 | Liabilities | 07-31- 01 | 07-31-01 |
| Gold | 138.9 | 0.0 | Capital and Reserves | 141.4 | 0.3 |
| Official reserves | 464.3 | -0.8 | Bank notes | 222.5 | -0.8 |
| Central Government Advance account | 29.2 | 0.0 | Central Government Receiver | 2.0 | 0.0 |
| Advanced license fees | 16.9 | -31.7 | Special Account Central Government | 6.0 | -7.3 |
| Government paper in portfolio | 102.9 | -19.5 | Island Government Receiver | 278.7 | -8.7 |
| Other | 113.3 | -8.6 | Banks | 278.7 | -8.7 |
| | | | Multi-annual plan projects | 9.4 | -2.4 |
| | | | Advance account projects | 52.2 | -3.5 |
| | | | Financial support | 68.8 | 0.0 |
| | | | Solidarity fund | 0.0 | -0.1 |
| | | | Deposits of other residents | 28.8 | 4.7 |
| | | | Deposits non-residents | 0.2 | 0.1 |
| | | | Other | 55.5 | -43.0 |
| Total Assets | 865.5 | -60.6 | Total Liabilities | 865.5 | -60.6 |

During the month of August 2001, official reserves, i.e. the international reserves managed by the Bank, decreased by NAf. 0.8 million. This was the result of a net purchase of foreign exchange by the commercial banks. However, this net purchase was offset by an almost equal increase in foreign exchange because of transfers to the Isla refinery, local pension beneficiaries, and foreign investment income receipts.

The assets-side of the balance sheet showed a decrease in the item "Advanced licence fees" of NAf. 31.7 million. This was the result of the official settlement of license fees over the year 2000 that had already been transferred to the central government. Furthermore, the item "Other" decreased by NAf. 8.6 million, mainly because of a similar settlement of advanced profit.

In addition, the item "Government paper in portfolio" decreased by NAf. 19.5 million. This was due to the refinancing by other

investors of maturing treasury bills, which were purchased by the Bank in the month of July.

On the liabilities-side of the balance sheet, it can be observed that the item "Special account Central Government" decreased by NAf. 7.3 million. This was the result of redemptions and interest payments on central government loans, including the last part of the equalization and indexation payments to civil servants and payments to several projects, APNA and the Solidarity Fund. The issuance of new loans and the received advances on profits and license fees could not compensate these payments.

The item "Banks", which reflects the position of the commercial banks with the Bank, decreased by NAf. 8.7 million. Worth mentioning is that the Certificates of Deposit held by commercial banks decreased, because the Bank used the proceeds from the maturing treasury bills to redeem part of its short-term Certificates of Deposit. This contributed to an increase in the current account balances of the banks.

Furthermore, the accounts "Multi-annual plan projects" and "Advance account projects" decreased by NAf. 2.4 million and NAf. 3.5 million, respectively, in the month of August. These decreases were related to the distribution of funds on regular development projects and the new prison 'Bon Futuro' in Curaçao.

Finally, the item "Other" decreased by NAf. 43.0 million. This decline was the reverse book entry of the settlement of advanced license fees and profits of the Bank over the year 2000 to the central government mentioned earlier.

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