

Condensed Balance Sheet
BANK VAN DE NEDERLANDSE ANTILLEN
(Central Bank)

The Condensed Balance Sheet of the Bank van de Nederlandse Antillen for November 2006 is as follows:
(millions of NAf.)

Assets	30-Nov-06	Difference Compared to 31-Oct-06	Liabilities	30-Nov-06	Difference Compared to 31-Oct-06
Claims on nonresidents	1,421.7	252.9	Liabilities to nonresidents	194.0	152.5
Gold	305.5	0.0	Deposits of nonresidents in foreign currency	194.0	152.5
Official reserves	1,116.2	252.9			
Domestic Assets	383.5	3.0	Domestic Liabilities	1611.2	103.4
			Currency in circulation	291.9	13.4
Claims on the government	223.0	-0.9	Government Deposits	26.3	15.5
Government paper in portfolio	223.0	-0.9	Island government	5.7	0.2
Advanced license fees	0.0	0.0	Central government	20.6	15.3
Special account central government	0.0	0.0			
Claims on deposit money banks	0.0	0.0	Liabilities to deposit money banks	665.5	65.2
Current account balances	0.0	0.0	Current account balances	69.6	66.7
			Certificates of Deposit	54.0	0.0
			Required reserves	541.9	-1.4
Claims on other sectors	160.5	3.9	Liabilities to other sectors	318.6	9.3
Other assets	160.5	3.9	Deposits other residents	223.2	3.4
			Other liabilities	95.4	5.9
			Capital and reserves	308.9	0.0
Total Assets	1,805.2	255.9	Total Liabilities	1805.2	255.9

During the month of November 2006, the balance sheet expanded by NAf.255.9 million. This was the result of an increase in deposits of non-residents in foreign currency by NAf.152.5 million and an increase in domestic liabilities by NAf.103.4 million. The liabilities to non-residents increased due to funds deposited by a financial institution placed under the emergency measure (FCIB) at the Bank.

The official reserves increased by NAf.252.9 million in November. This increase was, on the one hand, related to the abovementioned increase in the item “deposits of non-residents in foreign currency” and, on the other hand, the result of a transfer of collected dividend tax by the Netherlands (NAf.73.5 million) related with the tax arrangement for the Kingdom (BRK). The share of the island government of Curaçao in this transfer (75%) was deposited on its accounts at the commercial banks, explaining to a large extent the increase in the current account balances of the commercial banks at the Bank.

The monetary developments during November did not prompt the Bank to actively deploy its policy instruments to influence the domestic money market. On the biweekly CD auctions, the Bank aimed only at the refinancing of maturing CDs, while the reserve requirement percentage remained unchanged. The drop noticed in the commercial banks’ required reserves was due to a drop in the base amount¹ upon which these are calculated.

Base money, the sum of the items “Currency in circulation” and the deposit money banks’ “Current account balances” at the Bank, increased by NAf.80.1 million. This large increase was the result of aforementioned increase in the current account balances of the banks and the increase in banknotes in circulation (NAf.13.4 million).

¹ This base amount is calculated via the commercial bank’s domestic liabilities to the public.

Finally, the deposits of the central government increased by NAf.15.3 million. This increase was the result of the net issue of government paper and the receipt of the BRK transfers, the central government of which gets 25%.

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