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FOREIGN EXCHANGE AND LIQUIDITY AND MONTHLY BALANCE SHEET, AUGUST 2016

THE FOREIGN-EXCHANGE RESERVE

In August 2016, the foreign-exchange reserve decreased by kr. 0.1 billion to kr. 449.8 billion. The decrease reflects the central government's net repayment of foreign debt for kr. 0.1 billion, cf. table 1.

In August, Danmarks Nationalbank has not intervened in the foreign exchange market.

DANMARKS NATIONALBANK'S NET FOREIGN-EXCHANGE
PURCHASES AND THE CHANGE IN THE FOREIGN-EXCHANGE RESERVE – TABLE 1

Kr. billion	August 2016	January-August 2016
Danmarks Nationalbank's interventions* to purchase foreign exchange,	0.0	32.8
Other**	0.0	0.6
Danmarks Nationalbank's net foreign-exchange purchases	0.0	33.4
The central government's net foreign borrowing***.	-0.1	-21.0
Change in the foreign-exchange reserve	-0.1	12.3

Note: Details may not add because of rounding and previously published figure may have been revised. All transactions as per settlement date.
* Intervention takes place when Danmarks Nationalbank purchases and sells foreign exchange for Danish kroner in the foreign-exchange market in order to stabilise the exchange rate.
** Comprises e.g. interest accrued on the foreign-exchange reserve, the central government's net payments in foreign exchange, EU-payments, and changes in the banks' deposits in euro-denominated accounts at Danmarks Nationalbank.
*** Including net payments to the central government in foreign exchange as a result of currency swaps.

DEVELOPMENT IN LIQUIDITY

In August, the central government's net financing requirement amounted to kr. -5.7 billion. Since the turn of the year, the central government’s net financing requirement has been kr. 24.5 billion, cf. table 2.

The net position of the banks and mortgage-credit institutes vis-à-vis Danmarks Nationalbank decreased by kr. 15.8 billion in August, to an outstanding amount of kr. 160.8 billion. In August, transactions by the central government decreased the net position by kr. 16.6 billion.

IMPACT OF VARIOUS FACTORS ON THE NET POSITION OF THE BANKS
AND MORTGAGE-CREDIT INSTITUTES VIS-À-VIS DANMARKS NATIONALBANK – TABLE 2

Kr. billion	August 2016	January-August 2016
The central government's net financing	-5.7	24.5
Redemption on domestic central-government debt *	0.0	0.0
Other**	1.7	34.5
The central government's gross domestic financing requirement	-4.0	59.0
The central government's gross domestic borrowing***	12.6	74.1
The central government's liquidity impact	-16.6	-15.1
Danmarks Nationalbank's net foreign-exchange purchases	0.0	33.4
Danmarks Nationalbank's net bond purchases	0.1	-0.5
Other factors****	0.6	-1.8
Change in net position	-15.8	16.0

Note: Details may not add because of rounding. All transactions as per settlement date.
* Including krone-denominated payments by the central government in currency swaps.
** Comprises, *inter alia*, net bond purchases by the government funds and net collateral for the government's swap portfolio.
*** Gross long-term borrowing, net short-term borrowing and krone-denominated payments to the central government in currency swaps.
**** Comprises e.g. changes in banknotes and coins in circulation.

DANMARKS NATIONALBANK'S INTEREST RATES

Since 6 July 2012 the discount rate has been 0.00 per cent, since 1 June 2012 the current-account interest rate has been 0.00 per cent, since 20 January 2015 the lending rate has been 0.05 per cent and since 8 January 2016 the rate of interest on certificates of deposit has been -0.65 per cent.

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BALANCE SHEET OF DANMARKS NATIONALBANK 31 AUGUST 2016

Assets 1000 kr.	2016 31/08	2016 31/07	2015 31/08
Stock of gold	15,490,447	15,490,447	15,707,167
Foreign assets	420,346,492	419,075,769	505,061,937
Claims on the International Monetary Fund	17,302,872	17,302,630	18,264,391
Claims related to banks' and mortgage credit institutes' TARGET accounts in ECB	36,549	41,099	65,802
Monetary-policy lending	30,000	-	80,422
Other lending	2,890,523	2,969,932	2,990,961
Banks'[1)]	*2,866,685*	*2,942,080*	*2,954,073*
Misc. loans	*23,838*	*27,852*	*36,888*
Domestic bonds	33,011,211	32,908,141	32,509,479
Financial fixed assets, etc.	781,473	781,473	802,211
Tangible and intangible fixed assets	690,748	695,677	736,388
Other assets	1,158,477	1,145,199	1,877,625
	491,738,792	490,410,367	578,096,383

1) Including loans financing decentralised banknote holdings.

Liabilities 1000 kr.	2016 31/08	2016 31/07	2015 31/08
Banknotes	63,698,290	64,472,504	62,453,759
Coins	6,010,726	5,996,995	5,927,300
Monetary-policy deposits	160,795,200	176,565,840	232,055,683
Net current accounts	*25,655,200*	*31,000,840*	*56,186,683*
Certificates of deposit	*135,140,000*	*145,565,000*	*175,869,000*
Other deposits	16,264,199	16,414,256	13,719,945
Deposits related to banks' and mortgage credit. institutes' TARGET accounts in ECB	*36,549*	*41,099*	*65,802*
Other deposits from banks' and mortgage credit institutes'	*20,771*	*160,899*	*220,055*
Misc. deposits	*16,206,879*	*16,212,258*	*13,434,088*
Central government	152,332,575	135,779,320	175,184,537
Foreign liabilities	3,292,838	1,953,419	2,872,594
Counterpart of Special Drawing Rights allocated by the IMF (SDR)	14,507,188	14,507,188	13,575,439
Other liabilities	3,953,848	3,836,917	4,150,704
Capital and reserves	70,883,928	70,883,928	68,156,422
	491,738,792	490,410,367	578,096,383