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ON

AUGUST 2004 REALIZATIONS OF MONETARY PROGRAM

I- REALIZATIONS ON MONETARY PROGRAM FOR THE APRIL-AUGUST 2004 PERIOD

Under the 2004 monetary program, the performance criteria for Base Money and Net International Reserves and the indicative targets for Net Domestic Assets have been set in accordance with the Letter of Intent dated 15 July 2004. All of the criteria and targets have been met as of end-August 2004. The details of targets and figures realized are given herebelow:

- 1. The ceiling specified as performance criterion for the Base Money under the monetary program was set at TL 20.500 trillion for end-August. The Base Money figure calculated on the average of the last five working days of August stood at TL 19.301 trillion, remaining below the upper limit of TL 20.500 trillion.
- **2.** The floor specified as performance criterion for Net International Reserves under the monetary program was set at USD (minus) 2.000 million for end-August.

As of 31 August 2004, the realizations of Net International Reserves and its sub-items are shown in the following table:

(Million US dollars)

Central Bank Net International Reserves	(1)	16.638
Treasury's Debt to IMF	(2)	15.008
Treasury's FX denominated debt with maturity less than one year	(3)	0
Net International reserves under the IMF Program (4=1)	-2-3)	1.629

Thus, Net International Reserves specified in the program realized as USD 1.629 million, standing above the floor of USD (minus) -2.000 million, which is the performance criterion.

3. As end of August, the indicative ceiling for Net Domestic Assets under the current monetary program was specified as TL 34.600 trillion. Net Domestic Assets are calculated by the average values of the last five working days of August.

The realizations of Net Domestic Assets and sub-items for the said period are shown in the following table.

(Trillion TL)

Central Bank Net Domestic Assets	(1)	6.410
Treasury's debt to the IMF	(2)	21.605
Treasury's FX denominated debt with maturity less than one year (3)		
Net Domestic Assets under the IMF program	(4=1+2+3)	28.015

Thus, in the said period, the average Net Domestic Assets stood at TL 28.015 trillion, remaining below the indicative ceiling value of TL 34.600 trillion.

II– TARGETS OF THE MONETARY PROGRAM FOR THE SEPTEMBER-DECEMBER 2004 PERIOD

The monetary program targets specified for the September-December 2004 period in the Letter of Intent dated 15 July 2004 are as follows:

- 1. The ceiling for Base Money specified as performance criterion for end-December is TL 20.900 trillion. The calculation will be based on the average of the last five working days of December 2004.
- **2.** The floor specified as performance criterion for Net International Reserves as end of December is (minus) USD -2.000 million.
- **3.** The indicative ceiling specified for Net Domestic Assets as end of December is TL 35.000 trillion. The calculation will be based on the average of the last five working days of December 2004.