

**PRESS RELEASE**

**INTEREST RATES TO BE APPLIED ON FOREIGN EXCHANGE DEPOSIT  
ACCOUNTS WITH CREDIT LETTERS AND SUPER FX ACCOUNTS**

The interest rates applicable to the foreign exchange deposit accounts with credit letters and super FX accounts have been rearranged with an amendment made to our Bank's Circular No: I/M.

**New interest rates for Foreign Exchange Deposit Accounts with Credit Letters:**

Annual interest rates for EURO-denominated accounts have been decreased to 2,5 percent from 3,5 percent for one-year maturity, and to 3,0 percent from 3,75 percent for two-year maturity.

Annual interest rates for US-dollar denominated accounts have been decreased to 2,25 percent from 2,5 percent for one-year maturity, and to 2,75 percent from 3,0 percent for two-year maturity.

Annual interest rates for Swiss Francs-denominated accounts have been decreased to 1,5 percent from 2,0 percent for one-year maturity, and to 2,0 percent from 2,25 percent for two-year maturity.

Annual interest rates for UK Pound-denominated accounts for one-year and for two-year maturities remain unchanged as 4,0 percent and 4,25 percent respectively.

**New interest rates for Super FX deposits:**

Annual interest rates for EURO-denominated accounts have been decreased to 6,0 percent from 7,0 percent for one-year maturity; to 6,75 percent from 7,25 percent for two-year maturity; and to 7,50 percent from 8,0 percent for three-year maturity.

Annual interest rates for US dollar-denominated accounts have been decreased to 5,0 percent from 6,0 percent for one-year maturity; to 5,75 percent from 6,50 percent for two-year maturity, and to 6,50 percent from 7,0 percent for three-year maturity.

The new interest rates shall take effect as of August 20, 2003.