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## ■ Riksbank to issue commemorative coins in gold and silver to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the dissolution of the Swedish-Norwegian union

To celebrate the 100th anniversary of the dissolution of the Swedish-Norwegian union, the Riksbank is issuing a 200-krona commemorative coin in silver and a 2,000-krona commemorative coin in gold. The coins are being issued in a limited edition of 35,000 for the silver coin and 5,000 for the gold coin. The prices of the coins have been set at SEK 250 and SEK 2,500, respectively.

The obverse side of the coins contains two vertically displaced halves with a line that divides a circle in two. This is the artist's interpretation of the dissolution of the union – the successful division of a former whole. The legend at the top reads "NORGE 1905 • 2005 SVERIGE" (NORWAY 1905 • 2005 SWEDEN) and at the bottom "UNIONSUPPLÖSNINGEN" (DISSOLUTION OF THE UNION).

The reverse side of the coins depicts a flagpole with a three-tailed flag. To the left of the flagpole is the text "TVÅ NATIONER I SAMFÖRSTÅND" (TWO NATIONS IN AGREEMENT).

The artist is the sculptor Annie Winblad Jakubowski, who was chosen on the basis of her proposed design. This is her second coin.

The coins are being minted by Nordic Coin AB Svenska myntverket in Eskilstuna.

Further information and pictures of the coins are available on the Riksbank's website, [www.riksbank.se](http://www.riksbank.se).

The coins will go on sale on 16 June 2005. In keeping with tradition, the Riksbank will present the coins to the Royal Coin Cabinet, which is Sweden's national museum of economy.

The coins can be ordered from: Nordic Coin AB Svenska myntverket's website [www.myntverket.se](http://www.myntverket.se), telephone +46 16 42 81 00, or via its sales company Myntverket Moneta on telephone +46 40 602 82 60. The coins can also be purchased in the Royal Coin Cabinet's shop at Slottsbacken 6.