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■ The Riksbank offers SEK loans on 8 December

On 20 October the Riksbank introduced a programme of recurrent auctions in order to offer SEK loans to the monetary counterparties. On Monday, 8 December, the Riksbank will offer the third loan within the programme, where the announced sum in the auction is SEK 40 billion. The loans are provided against collateral and have a maturity of 91 days, which means that repayment is due on 11 March 2009. A minimum interest is set at repo rate plus a supplement of 0.25 percentage points.