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Merita Banken terminates its primary dealerships in the foreign exchange market

The Riksbank has accepted a request from Merita Banken to terminate the function of primary dealer on behalf of the Riksbank in the foreign exchange market. The decision stems from the merger of Merita Bank with Nordbanken and is effective as of 19 th January 1998.

The Riksbank's primary dealers are as follows:

Ten in the foreign exchange market

Crédit Agricole Indosuez Stockholm Branch Chase Manhattan Bank N.A., London Citibank N.A., London Midland Bank plc, London Nordbanken SBC Warburg, Zürich Skandinaviska Enskilda Banken Swedbank (FöreningSparbanken) Svenska Handelsbanken Unibank, Copenhagen

Eleven in the money and bond market

Alfred Berg Transferator Fondkommission AB Consensus Fondkommission AB E. Öhman J:or Fondkommission AB Erik Penser Fondkommission AB JP Bank Midland Bank plc, London Nordbanken Skandinaviska Enskilda Banken Swedbank (FöreningSparbanken) Svenska Handelsbanken Unibank, Copenhagen

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