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■ The Riksbank offers SEK loans on 19 December

On 20 October the Riksbank introduced a programme of recurrent auctions in order to offer SEK loans to the monetary counterparties. On Friday, 19 December, the Riksbank will offer the fourth loan within the programme, where the announced sum in the auction is SEK 60 billion. The loans are provided against collateral and have a maturity of 91 days, which means that repayment is due on 24 March 2009. A minimum interest is set at repo rate plus a supplement of 0.25 percentage points.