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PROVISIONAL FIGURES ON LOAN ISSUES, EXTRAORDINARY PAYMENTS/ RECEIPTS AND CASH BALANCES AS AT 30 APRIL 2012 ISSUED BY THE DIRECTOR GENERAL: NATIONAL TREASURY

During the month of April 2012, net domestic short-term loans increased by R8 821 million, mainly due to borrowing from the Corporation for Public Deposits. Domestic long-term loans, net of redemptions, increased by R11 718 million.

Net foreign loans decreased by R8 890 million due to the redemption of a US\$1 000 million foreign loan and redemptions on arms procurement loan agreements.

Extraordinary receipts of R142 million were recorded mainly in respect of premiums on loan transactions. Extraordinary payments recorded R212 million due to revaluation losses on foreign currency transactions.

Government's cash balances decreased by R17 191 million to R177 635 million. The South African Reserve Bank accounts, mainly sterilisation and foreign currency deposits, amounted to R121 226 million. Cash balances with commercial banks amounted to R56 409 million.

More detailed information on the provisional figures will be included in the monthly statements of the National Revenue, Expenditure and Borrowing, which will be released on 30 May 2012.

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