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Issues planned by the Federal Government in the fourth quarter of 2004

1. Changes to the overview for the issuance plans in 2004

The issuance calendar for the fourth quarter 2004 differs from the published overview for the issuance plans in 2004 as follows:

The volume of

2.50 % Federal Treasury note of 2004 (2006) due September 22, 2006 ISIN DE0001137073 / SIN 113 707

offered on October 13, 2004 (using an auction procedure) will be increased by \in 2 bn. As a result the auction volume of the Federal Treasury note amounts to \in 8 bn (including the amount set aside for secondary market operations). Accordingly, the volume of the issue will rise to \in 17 bn.

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2. Issuance calendar of the Federal Government in the fourth quarter of 2004

The Federal Government intends to launch the following issues in the fourth quarter of 2004 for the funding of the Federal budget and its special funds (each volume including the amount set aside for secondary market operations):

2.1 Capital Market Instruments

| Auction Date | Issue | Maturity | Volume ¹ |
|-------------------|----------------------------------|--|---------------------|
| October 06, 2004 | Five-year Federal note ("Bobl") | 5 years | around € 5 |
| | Nominal interest: 3.50 % | due October 09, 2009 | billion |
| | Reopening of the Series 145 | start of interest period: August 27, 2004 | |
| | ISIN DE0001141455 / SIN 114 145 | first coupon date: October 09, 2005 | |
| October 13, 2004 | Federal Treasury note ("Schatz") | 2 years | around € 8 |
| | Nominal interest: 2.50 % | due September 22, 2006 | billion |
| | Reopening | start of interest period: September 22, 2004 | |
| | ISIN DE0001137073 / SIN 113 707 | first coupon date: September 22, 2005 | |
| November 17, 2004 | Five-year Federal note ("Bobl") | 5 years | around € 5 |
| | Nominal interest: 3.50 % | due October 09, 2009 | billion |
| | Reopening of the Series 145 | start of interest period: August 27, 2004 | |
| | ISIN DE0001141455 / SIN 114 145 | first coupon date: October 09, 2005 | |
| November 24, 2004 | Federal bond ("Bund") | 10 years | around € 8 |
| | New issue | due January 4, 2015 | billion |
| | ISIN DE0001135267 / SIN 113 526 | start of interest period: November 26, 2004 | |
| | | first coupon date: January 4, 2006 | |
| December 08, 2004 | Federal Treasury note ("Schatz") | 2 years | around € 7 |
| | New Issue | due December 15, 2006 | billion |
| | ISIN DE0001137081 / SIN 113 708 | start of interest period: December 10, 2004 | |
| | | first coupon date: December 15, 2005 | |
| | Capital Market Instru | ments - Fourth quarter total around | l € 33 billion |

2.2 Money Market Instruments

| Auction date | Issue | Maturity | Volume ¹ | |
|---|--|--------------------------------|-----------------------|--|
| October 18, 2004 | Treasury discount paper ("Bubill") New issue ISIN DE0001114726 / SIN 111 472 | 6 months due April 20, 2005 | around € 6 billion | |
| November 15, 2004 | Treasury discount paper ("Bubill") New issue ISIN DE0001114734 / SIN 111 473 | 6 months due May 11, 2005 | around € 6 billion | |
| December 13, 2004 | Treasury discount paper ("Bubill") New issue ISIN DE0001114742 / SIN 111 474 | 6 months due June 15, 2005 | around € 6 billion | |
| Money Market Instruments - Fourth quarter total around € 18 billion | | | | |
| Total in the fourth guarter 2004 around € 51 billio | | | | |

¹ Including the amount set aside for secondary market operations



3. Redemptions and interest payments in the fourth quarter of 2004

In the fourth quarter of 2004 the **redemptions** by the Federal Government¹ and its special funds "German Unity" Fund and ERP Special Fund will total around € 46.6 billion. They may be broken down as follows (in € billion):

| Type of borrowing | October | November | December | Fourth quarter | |
|---|---------|----------|----------|----------------|--|
| Federal bonds | - | 5.1 | - | 5.1 | |
| Five-year Federal notes | - | 6.0 | - | 6.0 | |
| Federal Treasury notes | - | - | 14.0 | 14.0 | |
| Treasury discount paper | 5.9 | 5.9 | 5.9 | 17.7 | |
| Federal savings notes | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.4 | |
| Federal Treasury financing paper | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.3 | |
| Bonds of the Treuhand Agency | - | - | - | - | |
| Funding bonds ("Fundierungsschuldverschreibungen") | 0.0 | - | - | 0.0 | |
| Debt securities / book equalisation claims of the Currency Conversion Equalisation Fund | - | - | - | - | |
| Borrower's note loans | 1.2 | 0.8 | 1.1 | 3.1 | |
| Medium Term Notes of the Treuhand Agency | - | - | - | - | |
| Total | 7.5 | 17.9 | 21.2 | 46.6 | |

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¹ Including the former special funds, namely the Redemption Fund for Inherited Liabilities, the Equalisation Fund for Safeguarding the Use of Coal, which have been incorporated into the Federal debt since July 1, 1999, as well as the Currency Conversion Equalisation Fund.



In the fourth quarter of 2004 the **interest payments** by the Federal Government¹ and the Federal special funds, namely the "German Unity" Fund (FDE) and the ERP Special Fund, will total approximately € 4.1 billion. They may be broken down as follows (in € billion):

| Issuer | October | November | December | Fourth quarter |
|---|---------|----------|----------|-------------------|
| Total interest payments by the Federal Government and the Federal special funds FDE and ERP | 1.9 | 1.1 | 1.1 | 4.1 |

A detailed listing of the redemption and interest payments may be obtained on the internet at ($\underline{\text{www.deutsche-finanzagentur.de}}$ \rightarrow button "English Version" \rightarrow "statistics").

The issuance calendar may change as a result of developments in the capital market or in the cash position. The issuance overview of the Federal German Government for the year 2005 and a detailed issuance calendar for the first quarter of 2005 will be published in the second part of December 2004.

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